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By Nettie and Joe and Bee.
And last in the list was written,
In letters broad and dark
(To look as grand as the others)
Miss Baby Grace X her mark."

"We'll try always to help our mother:
We won't be selfish to each other;
We'll say the kind words to every one:
We won't tie pussy's feet for fun;
We won't be cross and snarly, too;
And all the good we can, we'll do."

"It's just as easy to keep them,"
The children gladly cried;
But mamma, with a smile made answer—
"Wait, darlings, till you are tried."
And truly, the glad, bright New Year
Wasn't his birthday old—
When three little sorrowful faces
A sorrowful story told.

"And how are your resolutions?"
We asked of the baby, Grace,
Who stood with a smile of wonder
On her dear little dimpled face:
Quick came the merry answer—
She never for an instant lacked—
"I don't fink much of 'em's broken,
But I dess 'em's 'bout all cracked."

—*Youth's Companion.*

A WORTHLESS FELLOW.

There was a rumor afloat at the fort that Tom O'Halloran was to be discharged from the regiment for drunkenness, and everybody was sorry for it. Even though those were stirring days, and every man and woman had their heads and hearts full of the expedition against the Indians, for which the regiment was preparing, yet each had a thought of pity for Tom, a word of kindness for Tom's mother. They had, after a fashion, belonged to the regiment longer than any officer or soldier now included in it, for Tom's father had been band-master from the early days of the war to his death, which occurred just after Tom was enrolled as a private, some five years since; while Mrs. O'Halloran, whose patience and faithfulness as a nurse was beyond praise, was endeared to almost every officer's family by some battle of death they had fought together. They had more than their share of Irish beauty, these two, and the gray eyes which laughed or flashed under Tom's dark brows, were, his defenders said, very like those which looked at the world with such gentle kindness from beneath his mother's gray hair. He was a strong, clever young Irishman, with an aptitude for doing well anything he was set to do, from fighting to masonry, but with a passion for drink which his mother's prayers, his Colonel's warnings, and his own resolutions were powerless to overcome. Clever and handsome and brave as he was, and "Child of the Regiment" as he was jokingly called, his officers would scarcely have any patience with his always recurring escapades if it had not been for his mother, whose love for him was so devoted, and whose faith in his promises of reform so unwavering, that the hardest hearts (and soldiers' hearts are not very hard ones) always yielded to an entreaty for another chance for her boy.

But this time things looked very serious for poor Tom. He had been drunk while on duty as a sentry, and being in a quarrelsome humor, had been with difficulty prevented from knocking down the officer of the day who had ordered him under arrest. Within a week a large portion of the regiment was to start on an expedition of several months, and as Tom's company was among those which were to go, the Colonel had been heard to say that patience in his case had reached its limit, for a drunken sentry could endanger an army, and nobody could possibly rely upon Tom's sobriety from one hour to another. Punishment and warnings had alike failed a hundred times, and Tom must be left behind and discharged. I think the good Colonel, under whose bluff aspect was hidden a very kindly heart, was quite conscious that he was in disfavor with all the ladies, and many of the officers, that day, and it was even whispered that he had been repulsed with great disorder, in an attempt to prove to Mrs. Colonel that he was right in his resolutions. At all events he carried rather a gloomy countenance about his duties, and it was with lagging footsteps that toward evening he entered the little hospital. There was only one patient at present, but he was one who would never leave it alive, a man who had been a good soldier, and the Colonel's orderly for years.

A little woman with white apron and a quaint cap rose from beside the bed where poor Butler lay—a pale little woman, with a look of patient trouble in her soft eyes that touched the Colonel more than vehement reproaches, for this was Mrs. O'Halloran, and to him, as to most of the officers, she was the old and tried friend of many an illness and anxiety, rather than merely the mother of a private soldier who was in a scrape. The room was neat and pleasant, the bed and patient as well cared for as if his nurse had no thought but of his welfare: and the sight of this also touched the Colonel, who would have done his duty under any circumstances, and who respected the evidence of such a character in others.

"Butler must not talk much, if you please, Colonel," Mrs. O'Halloran said, as she left the room and sat down on the lowest step of the hall stair, for she was trembling so she could hardly stand.

After a few moments the Colonel came slowly out. He was surprised that Butler had not interceded for Tom, because he knew the man's liking for the nurse, who, as a special favor, had been allowed instead of the regular hospital steward, and that he might reasonably expect to be heard by his old master.

"You know what I would say, Colonel," the woman began, rising and clasping her withered hands. "My heart has been breaking to say it this long day, but I could not leave Butler."

"Does Butler know anything of this affair?"

"No, sir; sure I could not trouble a dying man who has been a good friend to Tom, and father before him, this many a day."

"I wish Tom had your sense of duty, Mrs. O'Halloran!" cried the Colonel, with a sudden dimness in his keen eyes, as he thought of the mother's agony of suspense that she had concealed for the good of her patient.

"I knew that I could see you when you came to see Butler, as you always do, Colonel," she said simply; and then, while the slow tears of age crept down her pale face, she continued, "Colonel, it is good and kind you have been to my poor boy many and many a time, and sorely he has tried your kindness! But his heart is set on going to this fighting, and if you turn him out of the regiment now, the regiment that has been his home since he was a little lad, sure, sir, you will ruin his life entirely, and he is so young. He is a brave boy, too, is my Tom, Colonel, and I have a feeling here (pressing a trembling hand against her heart) that if you take him with you he will do something to make you and his regiment proud of him."

It was weak logic, but the brave, pathetic old eyes, the passionate pleading of the faltering voice made it very eloquent, and though the Colonel told himself that he was a fool, he knew that he was yielding.

"Take him with you this once! Give him this one more chance!" she implored. "Sure, Colonel, the God of the widow will not let any harm come to you, because you heard the widow's prayer."

"Very well, Mrs. O'Halloran, for your sake Tom shall have another trial: but I shall keep my eye on him and if he does any harm, it shall only be to himself," said the Colonel, with a sense of apologizing to his conscience. "The son of such a mother as you are ought to be better stuff than hopeless drunkards are made of."

"God bless you, sir, for ever and ever!" —catching his hand and kissing it. "His mother knows Tom O'Halloran better than himself does, and you will be glad of this day's mercy as long as you live, Colonel."

The sun had not risen on such hopes and such confidence, such light hearts and such gay laughter, on a well ordered, well-appointed regiment that scorned its foes and believed in its own invincibleness. The sun was sinking at the June day's close on a couple of hundred exhausted men huddled together within a rampart of saddles and dead horses, on the bare crown of a steep hill, whose base was surrounded by howling savages, who stretched in dusky hordes, it seemed to the tired eyes that watched them, endlessly through the valley beyond the little river. They had been surrounded and slaughtered by overwhelming numbers, and the remnant still alive were worn out with fatigue, heat, hunger, discouragement, but most of all by thirst. The steep sides of the hill were strewn with bodies; for the Indians, with the recklessness of triumph, had charged almost up to the rifles several times, and none of that weary band could say but what the next charge would be successful, though each man vowed silently to himself that his own weapon should prevent his becoming a prisoner if he survived his comrades.

They were not quite hopeless, however, for they knew that within twenty-four hours' march of them were reinforcements of such extent that at their approach the Indians would vanish, and that if they could but maintain their position, by to-morrow at sunset be safe. But in the meantime, though hunger and fatigue could be endured, thirst was maddening, and the wounded who lay in the center of the little circle would not live until morning without water, the surgeon said. The Colonel and two or three of the surviving officers, who had been holding a council (if such could be called anything so unanimous as the opinion that they must defend themselves while there was life left) looked hopelessly at each other when the surgeon made his report, and then, with the energy of desperation, the Colonel sprang to his feet. They were all lying flat behind their rampart to protect themselves against occasional volleys fired by the Indians from an opposite but less high hill.

"Boys," said the Colonel, and between fatigue and sorrow (for had he not seen his best friends die that day?) the strong, kindly voice was sorely shaken, "you have done to-day all that brave men could. You are tired and hungry and grieved. Your Colonel will not order you to do him any extra service, but the surgeon has told us that our wounded will die before morning unless they have water. Boys, there is a stream at the foot of this hill. Will any one of you volunteer to bring some for your comrades!"

There was a moment's silence, for all the men knew that the service he asked was a desperate one. The stream lay within the Indian line—if anything so irregular could be called a line—and they were physically so tired that exertion, much less daring, seemed impossible. Only a moment, and then a tall young man jumped up in his place, a couple of yards from the Colonel's side, and waved his cap over his head.

"I will go, Colonel!" cried Tom O'Halloran's cheery voice. "Friends, who will help to bring some water for those who have not been so lucky as we have?"

Soldiers only need a leader to do a gallant thing, and in two moments eight men—the Colonel would not permit more to go—crept over the rampart, every second man carrying a tin bucket, and the others acting as guards. Very breathlessly their comrades waited the result, and the Colonel clinched his hands in helpless grief, when he heard the firing telling that they had been attacked. But they came back presently—seven of them, wonderful to say—with water enough to give everybody a drink, and to keep the wounded supplied for several hours and the only missing man was Tom O'Halloran!

"His mother said that he would make the regiment proud of him," muttered the Colonel to the officer beside him, and neither was ashamed of the tears on his cheek.

It was not a night on which it was possible for a commanding officer, however tired, to sleep; and two hours later, when all had been quiet for over an hour, and in the dusky skies the stars were shining brilliantly, the Colonel moved noiselessly across the sleeping men to a sentry who for some five minutes had been fixedly watching something on the other side of the defences.

"What is it?" he asked in a sharp whisper.

"I think it is one of our men, Colonel, but am not sure," answered the soldier, pointing to a dark form crawling on hands and knees, with many pauses, near the top of the hill.

"Who goes there?" cried the Colonel.

"Tom," came faint reply; and in another instant, forgetting that it was his duty as commander not needlessly to expose his life, the Colonel was over the defenses, and kneeling beside bleeding, ghastly, but living Tom O'Halloran.

"Great God! my dear boy, how did you get here? We thought you were dead!"

"So did I, Colonel, twice," murmured Tom, with a gleam that was half fun, half tenderness, in his dim eyes. "But I promised my mother to go back to her, and I was not going to break her heart just when I had done something at last to make her a little proud of her worthless fellow!"

You know they were all rescued next day —"all that was left of them"—but I think you will be glad to hear that Tom O'Halloran kept his promise to his mother, and lived, though he lost a leg, and was otherwise so injured that he will never be a strong man again. But he is the hero of his regiment, and whether a desire to live up to his new place in men's esteem helped him, or whether the good in his nature would have triumphed sooner or later without the assistance of his heroism, is a question the Colonel is fond of arguing always ending by inviting his auditor, if a stranger, to go with him to the regimental hospital, where Tom has become a model book-keeper and steward, and the best of sons to his happy and proud old mother.—*Harper's Weekly.*

THE HAIR OF THE PRESIDENTS.

A Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia *Record* writes: Very few of the people who stream through the National Museum know, I fancy, that small locks of hair taken from the heads of the presidents, from Washington to Pierce, are carefully preserved in a glass-covered box in one of the exhibition cases. They are interesting as the only relics of the bodies of our chief magistrates. Washington's hair in this collection is nearly pure white, fine and glossy. That of John Adams is also white, but coarser. Jefferson's hair is rather coarse, and in color is a mixture of white and sandy brown. You can see that in his youth it must have been remarkable for its bright color. Madison's hair is coarse, a mixture of white and brown. Monroe's is fine, smooth and of its original dark auburn in color. The hair of John Quincy Adams is of the oddest color: it is coarse, and colored like a yellow-gray cat-eye. Gen. Jackson's hair is a coarse white. Van Buren's is white, fine and smooth. Gen. Harrison's is fine and white, with a slight mixture of black. John Tyler's hair is mixed white and brown. Polk's is almost a pure white. Taylor's is white, streaked with Brown. Fillmore's on the other hand, is brown, with a few white streaks. Franklin Pierce's is a dark brown, fine and soft.

LEARNING WISDOM.

A peasant who had seven daughters wearing out sole leather for him went to the Cave of a Wise Old Duffer and besought his advice as to how to bring them up.

"Marry them off as soon as possible, and then you can break up house-keeping and go boarding among them."

After a few months the father returned to the Cave, and his phiz had such a lonesome expression that the Wise Man cried out:

"Ah, you must follow my advice to learn wisdom!"

"The trouble is that I did follow it, and instead of having seven places to board around at I have seven sons-in-law to board on me!"

Moral: However, the peasant had the wisdom.—*Detroit Free Press.*

ONE FLESH.

Doctor—"Have you got the better of the ague yet?"

Patient—"No, sor; me and me wife is as bad as iver, sor."

Doctor—"Did you get that whisky and quinine I prescribed?"

Patient—"Yes, sor, but it did no good at all."

Doctor—"That is strange. You took it according to directions, I suppose?"

Patient—"Yes, sor; you know a man and wife are one?"

Doctor—"What has that to do with it?"

Patient—"Well, ye see, sor, being as we are one flesh, I tuk the whiskey and gave Biddy the quinine."—*Philadelphia Call.*

BOSTON ENGLISH.—Endora—"How well you are looking dear."

Minerva—"Yes, I exercise daily with the Beacon street Jamesumpleasant class, you know."

Endora—"Jamesumpleasant class! What in the world is that?"

Minerva—"Well, vulgar people call it a gymnastic class."

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"Cake can sleep, can't it?" asked a boy of his father.

"No, my son; have you lost your senses?"

"Yes, it can sleep, too, for havn't you heard of ginger's naps!"

The Cotton Song.

Come er hussel out de seed dar an' lay out de row,
Time dat de cotton's in de groun';
Come er turn er hoss de huntin' dog, an 'er ketch up de hoe,
Time dat de cotton's in the groun'.
De a'r it am sweet wid de dog-wood bloom,
Time dat de cotton's in de groun';
An' de ole niggar 'oman sweep de yard wid de broom,
Time dat de cotton's in de groun.'

De crow an' de black bird flies o'er de lan',
No capers till de sun goes down;
An' de old king-fisher am scratchin' in de san',
No monkey-shines on de cotton groun'.

De buck-shot han' makes er bale ter de aker,
Time dat de cotton's in de groun';
When er 'oman hab er chill, ah Lawd, how it shak'r,
Time dat de cotton's in de groun';
Ole man ter de hoe, young man ter de plow,
Time dat de cotton's in de groun';
An' er let de little nigger go and dribe up de cow,
Time dat de cotton's in de groun'.

De owl an' de hawk da hollers in de night,
No shuille till de sun dun set;
De hoe-cake's er cookin' an' I wush I had er bite,
No shirkin' till de grass dun wet.

—*Arkansaw Traveler.*

ELDER JOHN LELAND.

Leland was eccentric, but he was a man of power and piety. His oddities were not his chief attractions. He was personally acquainted with and highly respected by Washington and Jefferson, and exerted no small influence over their minds in favor of absolute religious liberty. Doctrinally he was liberal, broad, evangelical. He had considerable trouble with the high Calvinists of his day, and was seriously charged with heresy. He had great conflicts of soul over the diverse, and what seemed to be, the erroneous methods of preaching the gospel. He says:

"The Gillite mode of addressing sinners seemed a little different from the New Testament mode. The Hopkinsian method appeared as if it took all the wisdom of God to devise a way for an honorable pretense to damn man. Dr. Fuller only cast another bundle of straw on the fire. So that the great query that has agitated my mind for more than 30 years, 'How is a congregation of sinners to be addressed?' fell with such distress upon my mind that I could hardly contain myself."

Yet he so preached Christ that thousands were converted.

He once preached for Elder Gano, in Providence. The elder admonished him that the people would not endure a sermon more than half an hour long. "I will observe the rule," said Leland. On reading his text, he said: "My Brother Gano informs me that the people in the city won't be quiet if the sermon is more than half an hour long. All right, if ministers have but little to say they ought to say it in that time, for a short horse is soon curried. Should I be favored with a breeze from Calvary, or get into the trade-winds of the cross, I may preach two hours, but I will respect your rights." As he drew near the close of 30 minutes he related an anecdote, and announced that any might leave who desired to do so. But none left. Thirty minutes more—his sails full, the congregation weeping, he gave liberty to leave, but none left. He swept on another hour—the people forgot their dinners, and at the close pronounced the sermon none too long.

Leland was conscientiously opposed to high church pretensions in regard to ordination, and declined to submit to any kind of ordination service. But many of his brethren were so worried over the irregularity, that, while laboring in Virginia, he consented to be "set apart by the laying on of hands." The *Baptist Weekly* reproduces an account of the service:

The council, consisting of three staunch Calvinists, was called. The day appointed for the ordination arrived, and with it came a multitude of people to witness the ceremony. The work was divided among several Presbyters. One was to ask the usual questions concerning his faith and call; another was to deliver the charge to the pastor and the church. Leland took his seat long before they appeared, and resting his arms on his knees and burying his face in in his hands, awaited their movements. The Presbyter appointed to conduct the examination at length began:

"Brother Leland, it becomes my duty, according to previous arrangement, to ask you a few questions upon the subject of your faith, and in reference to your call to the ministry."

"Well, brother," said Leland, raising his head, "I will tell you all I know," and then down went his head into his hands again.

Moderator: "Brother Leland, do you not believe that God chose His people in Christ before before the foundation of the world?"

Leland (looking up): "I know not, brother, what God was doing before he began the foundation of the world."

M: "Brother Leland, do you not believe that God had a people from before the foundation of the world?"

L: "If he had, brother, they were not our kind of folks. Our people were made out of dust, you know, and before the foundation of the world there was no dust to make them out of."

M: "You believe, Brother Leland, that all men are totally depraved?"

L: "No, brother; if they were they could not wax worse and worse, as some of them do. The devil was no worse than totally depraved."

M: "Well, there are other questions that will embrace all these in substance. I will ask whether you do not believe that sinners are justified by the righteousness of Christ imputed to them?"

L: "Yes, brother, providing they will do right themselves; but I know of no righteousness that will justify a man who won't do right himself."

M: "Brother Leland, I will ask you one more question. Do you believe that all the saints will persevere through grace to glory and get home to heaven at last?"

L: "I can tell you more about that, my brother, when I get there myself. Some seem to make a very bad start of it here."

The Presbyter, seeing that the audience was greatly amused, proposed to his colleagues that they should retire for a few moments and consult together. After returning, they remarked to the congregation that Brother Leland had not answered the questions as satisfactorily as they could wish, but they all knew he had many eccentricities for which they should make every allowance: that they had concluded accordingly to ask him a few questions touching his call to the ministry.

M: "Brother Leland, you believe that God has called you to preach the gospel?"

L: "I never heard him, brother."

M: "We do not suppose, Brother Leland, that you ever heard an audible voice, but you know what we mean."

L: "But wouldn't it be a queer call, brother, if there was no voice and nothing said?"

M: (evidently confused) "Well, well, Brother Leland, you believe, at least, it is your duty to preach the gospel to every creature?"

L: "Ah! no, my brother: I do not believe it to be my duty to preach to the Dutch, for instance, for I can't do it. When the Lord sent the apostles to preach to every nation He taught them to talk to all sorts of people; but He has never taught me to talk Dutch yet."

M: "But, Brother Leland, you feel a great desire for the salvation of sinners, do you not?"

L: "Sometimes I think I do, and then again I don't care if the devil gets the whole of them."

Upon this the council retired again, and reported as before, very much to the surprise of Leland, who was constrained to submit to ordination. After they had ordained him in due form, he said:

"Well, brethren, when Peter put his hands on people, and took them off, they had more sense than they had before; but you have all had your hands on my head, and, before God, I am as big a fool now as I was before you put them on."

CULTIVATE A SWEET VOICE.

There is no power of love so hard to keep as a kind voice. A kind hand is deaf and dumb. It may be rough in flesh and blood, yet do the work of a soft heart, and do it with a soft touch. But there is no one thing it so much needs as a sweet voice to tell what it means and feels, and it is hard to get it in the right tone.

One must start in youth, and be on the watch night and day, at work and while at play, to get and keep a voice that shall speak at all times the thought of a kind heart. But this is the time when a sharp voice is most apt to be got. You often hear boys and girls say words at play with a quick, sharp tone, as if it were the snap of a whip. If any of them get vexed you will hear a voice that sounds as if it were made up of a snarl, a whine and a bark. Such a voice often speaks worse than the heart feels. It is often in mirth that one gets a voice or tone that is sharp, and sticks to him through life and stirs up ill will and grief, and falls like a drop of gall on the sweet joys of home. Such as these get a sharp home-voice for use and keep their best voice for those they meet elsewhere, just as they would save their best cakes and pies for guests and all their sour food for their own board. I would say to all girls and boys, "Use your best voice at home." Watch it day by day as a pearl of great price, for it will be worth more to you in the days to come than the best pearl hid in the sea. A kind voice is a lark's song to heart and home. It is to the heart what light is to the eye.

Waste neither time nor money in small and useless pleasure and indulgence.

If you know how to spend less than you get, you have the philosopher's stone.

If peace of mind is our possession, we may smile at every misfortune or loss.

Men often judge the person, but not the cause, which is not justice, but malice.

The two powers which constitute a wise man are those of bearing and forbearing.

Men cannot be safely intrusted with wealth until they have learned industry and self-content.

A merchant traveler at a dinner requested the waiter to bring him a piece of rare beef, and when it came it was rare indeed.

"Waiter?" he remarked warningly, as he looked at the undone dish.

"Yes, sah," responded the darkey.

"Take this beef out, please, and kill it."

The waiter crawled into a napkin ring and disappeared.

"I don't know what I shall do about my four boys," said an anxious father. "What are they doing?" inquired a friend. "Spending all their wages for rum—about $75 a week." "Start a saloon yourself and keep the money in the family," was the prompt advice, and tears of thankfulness coursed down the relieved father's cheeks.

Amelia Barr: The faith of eighteen is that society exists for its sake. Middle age is generous and tolerant, and does not care to tell the young that they are valued mainly for their future, and that the real work of the world is done by men who have ceased to be ornamental.

"Why don't you get up as early as you used to a few days ago?" angrily asked a wife of her lazy husband. "Because, my dear, it's sleep year," he grinned, as he turned over for another snooze.

I will tell you what to hate. Hate hypocrisy, hate cant, hate intolerance, oppression, injustice; hate pharisaism; hate them as Christ hated them, with a deep, living, god-like hatred.

One of the Lynn school teachers asked a class in geography, "How would you go from Lynn to Chicago?" and a little fellow answered, "In the cars."

"Ella" wants to know if we can tell her what the Knights of the Bath are! Usually Saturday nights in all well-regulated families, dear.

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 2, 1884.

TORNADOES are disturbing the serenity of people in the West this early in the season.

DR. WILLARD PARKER of New York, one of the most noted physicians and surgeons in the country, died last Friday, at the age of 84.

A PORTRAIT of Charles Sumner, one of the last two painted from life in 1873-4, has been presented to the commonwealth by James Wormley of Washington, and has been placed in the state library.

COL. TOWER, who was last week elected by the Senate to fill the vacancy in the governors' council, withdrew from the contest, and the Senate has followed the House in electing John Haskell Butler to the place.

No more oleomargarine or other imitation of butter can be manufactured or sold in the state of New York, under penalty of a fine of $100 or more and six months' imprisonment, and a dairy commissioner is to be appointed to enforce the new law. The oleomargarine folks will contest the law as far as possible, but will probably have to migrate to the more genial climate of some neighboring state which has not as yet taken up the club against them.

THAT sort of sentimentality which makes a hero of a condemned murderer is disgusting and immoral in its tendencies, and some of its exhibitions pass comprehension. Here, for instance, is Rugg, the negro murderer of two women on Long Island, who was no sooner convicted of the crime than women began to send him flowers, and last Sunday a delegation of them visited him and sang and prayed in his cell. That sort of song and prayer cannot ascend as sweet incense to Heaven. The Word says that murderers "shall not inherit the kingdom of God."

THE United States circuit court at Hartford has issued a decree enjoining the Connecticut River water power company against any further raising of its dam at Enfield. The dam was raised about two feet a few years ago, by authority of the Connecticut Legislature, but the court sensibly decides that the Legislature of Connecticut has no authority to grant a privilege to set back the waters of the river beyond the state line. But as the present dam has not sensibly injured the Holyoke water power company, the petitioner for an injuction, the court allows it to remain at its present hight.

THE Legislature made its annual "inspection" of the Hoosac Tunnel last Friday, in order, you know, to vote more intelligently on the $66,000 appropriation for the annual "completion" of the double tracking of the line. The bill went through the House, yesterday, without a peep from a single member. The Hampden county jail bill was also passed to a third reading by a large vote. A Quixotic scheme is on foot in the House, in the shape of a bill to authorize the state to loan its credit to cities and towns, to be loaned by them in turn for the purpose of building cheap wooden houses for the poor. The bill was admitted by a nearly unanimous vote.

POLITICAL PICKINGS.

Wisconsin's delegates stand 9 each for Edmunds and Blaine, 3 for Arthur and 1 for Sherman.

The Massachusetts greenbackers have elected Butler delegates to their National convention.

Massachusetts Republicans are solid for Edmunds, and Democrats for Butler. There's a contrast for you.

Blaine's friends are figuring on 5 votes from Massachusetts on the first ballot. Those chickens won't hatch.

Ex-Gov. Long thinks that Senator Edmunds stands an excellent chance of receiving the nomination at Chicago.

The New Hampshire Republicans have elected delegates favorable to President Arthur, with one or two leaning toward Edmunds.

It is an easy matter to claim 317 votes for Mr. Blaine on the first ballot at Chicago, but it will not be so easy to poll that number, we imagine.

Minnesota's district delegates are "alf-and-'alf" for Blaine and Edmunds, and the delegates at large will probably be divided in the same way.

Gov. Robinson would not be a candidate for delegate to the Chicago convention, wisely holding that his duties as governor require his constant service within the commonwealth.

Maine, West Virginia, Iowa and Nevada will send Blaine delegates to Chicago. Maryland and California are for Blaine, and Rhode Island sends four Arthur, two Edmunds and two Blaine delegates.

The Democrats held their state convention at Worcester, Wednesday, and were presided over by N. A. Plympton of Worcester, who glorified Butler's administration of state affairs in his opening address. These delegates were chosen: Benjamin F. Butler of Lowell, Judge J. G. Abbot of Boston, Judge M. J. McCafferty of Worcester and Mayor J. E. Delaney of Holyoke. Alternates: Albert Palmer of Boston, Reuben Noble of Westfield, Col. A. A. Haggett of Lowell and Thomas H. Devlin of Boston.

Chairman Lodge called the Republican convention to order at Boston, Wednesday, and made a capital speech, after which Congressman Long took the chair as permanent chairman, making an able and lengthy speech, setting forth the principles and aims of the party. There were 1170 delegates present, and the following delegates at large to the Chicago convention were elected: Senator Geo. F. Hoar, Congressman John D. Long, W. W. Crapo, and H. C. Lodge, with these alternates: Benj. S. Lovell of Weymouth, L. J. Powers of Springfield, A. H. Grinke of Hyde Park and T. W. Higginson of Cambridge.

An old farmer of Manasquan, N. J., a few days ago presented at the First National Bank of that place a check which had been drawn in his favor in 1872 by a New York merchant in payment for a load of farm produce. For twelve years the farmer had carefully kept it hidden away. It was forwarded and duly honored.

THIS, THAT, AND THE OTHER.

Why is the player of a pipe organ like a bicyclist? Why, they are both pedal manipulators, are they not?

Brother McPherson of the Framingham *Tribune* must be meeting with good success in his new venture, as with last week's issue his paper was enlarged to eight pages. Success to you.

It must encourage a paragrapher to see his items sandwiched in among a lot of patent medicine reading notices, just to fulfill a contract calling for the insertion of the notices "among pure reading matter."

"Wanted to know—what to do with the man who wants a $2 job of printing done for $1?" shrieks the Warren *Herald*. Easy enough. Make him pay the $2 if you can: if you can't, let him go. That's the way we do.

The president of France has a salary of $120,000 a year, and $120,000 more for traveling and entertaining expenses. Pooh! it would take more than that to induce us to retire from our present business and accept the job.

If a man lays out $1.67 in garden seeds and labors every night for a week to get them in the ground, how long before those seeds will come up, provided one good, healthy hen with a brood of chickens has access to the garden plot?

We are told that refined people now refer to fish-balls as "piscatorial globes," but we'll bet a pair of old shoes that when one of those refined persons chews against a sharp fishbone accidentally left in the mixture, he is not so particular about his language.

An exchange says that somebody has been found mean enough to steal an editor's speech, as the one which received the greatest praise in the state contest in Kansas a short time since was stolen from a Philadelphia editor. Where did the editor get it? The man who wrote it for him must be dead, or he wouldn't dare make a fuss about it.

Boys, be very careful what you say in the presence of girls. Here's a poor fellow up in Maine who while going home with a couple of young ladies accidentally remarked that his weakness was an inability to say "no." Acting on this one of the girls proposed to him after they had left the other, and this poor, weak, unprotected victim of a villainous plot was obliged to succumb. Bear the fate of this youth in mind, and remember Will Carleton's couplet:

"Boys flying kites haul in their white-winged birds;
You can't do that when you're flying words."

It is very evident that Bro. Fisk of the Palmer JOURNAL has all the latest improvements near at hand, if we can rely on what he said in his last week's issue:

"Three men halted in front of our office yesterday morning, and after a foraging expedition through their pockets raked up enough for one drink. They then "tossed up" to see who should have it, and the lucky one started in search of "sumhin' warmin'," while the other two walked slowly and sadly along."

That is two walked away and the other didn't. In regard to the opening of license river he says:

"Navigation will open in Palmer on the first of May, at which time a large fleet of schooners may be expected."

Of course this means business in that town. It wouldn't be a bad idea for our Mr. Morse to go up that way and talk to those Palmer people.—*Canton Journal.*

All the latest improvements near at hand? Well, we rather guess we have. Our office fronts on the main street of the village, and as we sit at our desk we can look out of the window and count ten places which have applied for licenses for the coming year, the nearest one being directly across the street, and the farthest one of the ten not forty rods distant. Last year there was not one. How is that for improvement? Of course it means business—for certain classes, but we fear if Brother Morse was to "take in" this town, he would be "too full for utterance" before he left.

The investigation into the loss of the steamer Steinmann near Halifax a few days since has been concluded, and it is decided that—

"The master appears to have navigated the ship with due care up to the time of making the light, and by going aloft himself in an endeavor to make it he showed that he was cautious. It will be seen in the evidence, however, that the master had taken no observations that day, and was, therefore, uncertain of his position, and that, by his own statement, the night was dark, foggy and rainy, and the soundings were irregular. It was highly imprudent under all these circumstances to attempt to enter the port of Halifax. It was clearly his duty to have hauled off shore until able to verify his position and obtain a pilot. To this circumstance alone can be attributed the loss of that fine ship and the lives of 124 persons."

That is highly proper. This finding will no doubt bring loads of confidence to the ocean traveler, for he will be consoled by the thought that should he be lost on a voyage, the captain will be found to blame. It also carries much comfort to the friends of the 124 persons who went down with the Steinmann.

Portions of Ohio and Missouri were visited by a cyclone on Sunday which did a vast amount of damage. Jamestown, O., a town of 600 inhabitants, was nearly destroyed, and six persons were killed. Montgomery and Greene counties suffered severely from the storm; in the former fully 20 residences, besides other buildings, were ruined, and much live stock and farm property destroyed. At Bellbrook, Greene county, fifteen farm houses were damaged, but the occupants escaped by taking refuge in the cellars.

Ex-Mayor Saunders of Lawrence was on Monday arrested on a charge of tampering with the ballot-box of one of the city wards while it was in the city clerk's office awaiting a recount of votes. It is claimed that at night he entered the room, broke the seal of the box and extracted some ballots, substituting those of a friend for them. The seals on the other boxes were not broken.

The maniac wife of David Barnet at Phillipsburg, N. J., cut the throats of her two young children with a razor, and then seriously wounded herself last Saturday. Six men were required to hold her.

The sum of $16,000,000 is wanted to construct a line of levees 2½ feet above highest water on both sides of the Mississippi river from Cairo to New Orleans.

During the month of March over 38,500 immigrants arrived in this country at ten ports.

LOCAL NOTICES.

Farmers will be interested to know that Milligan has received another invoice of those plow boots.

Weld & Longley particularly request an inspection of their crockery and glassware, which for style and quality is unsurpassed. Please bear this in mind before purchasing elsewhere.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

Hammock time.

The buds are swelling.

Did you get a May basket?

Where's the sprinkling cart?

Bare-footed boys are plenty.

Now is the time for tree planting.

Slightly warm yesterday afternoon.

The rattle of the lawn mower is heard.

The schooners crossed the bar yesterday.

Communion at the churches next Sunday.

The boys will soon be swimming in the river.

Charles Bigelow is now the bill poster of the town.

The first hand organ of the season was around on Monday.

Mrs. Sarah Wallace has the cellar dug for a new house on Pine street.

No R in the month. Let oysters alone, according to the old saying.

The air is now filled with the melody produced by the carpet beater.

Four persons united with the Advent church last Sunday, three by letter.

Butterflies and all sorts of out-door bugs begin to make their appearance.

Elder A. Morse of Union, Ct., will preach at the Park street chapel next Sunday.

The house of W. R. Parks on South Main street is receiving a new coat of paint.

The ladies of the Baptist society held a sociable at their church vestry Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Enos Calkins are away on a two weeks' trip to Passaic, N. J., and New Haven, Ct.,

There will be three admissions to the Congregational church next Sunday on profession of faith.

The young people of the Congregational society meet with the pastor, Rev. Mr. Hunter, this evening.

An effort is being made to arrange a ball game on the park to-morrow afternoon between two local nines.

There will be preaching at the Methodist church at the Four Corners next Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock.

A sign on the road to Three Rivers proclaims the fact that "washing and iring" is done to order at that place.

There will be no services at St. Paul's church next Sunday evening, as Rev. Mr. Perry is to speak at Monson.

The funeral of George English, who died yesterday morning, will be held at the Congregational church to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

What made Mollie and Al pull the curtain down so suddenly on Tuesday evening? is a question which is being asked at one of the hotels.

The house at the head of School street belonging to the Calvin Hitchcock estate will be sold at auction next Monday at 10 o'clock a. m.

Last weeks' item regarding Minor Goddard was partially incorrect. We are informed by one who has investigated the matter, that he was not arrested, but simply allowed to go.

William Davis intends this year going into the market gardening business on a larger scale than ever before, and will supply our citizens with fresh vegetables every day during the season.

Are there to be no concrete walks laid in town this spring? Several of those already down need repairing badly, while there are many places where there is great need of a walk of some kind.

At the sale of pews at the Congregational church last Monday evening, nearly all were taken, and though but about $25 was bid in premiums, yet the sale amounted to $800 more than any previous occasion.

Those who have our roads in charge say that after a rain to wet down the material which has been put on Main and Church streets it will pack down hard and make as good roads as we have in town. We sincerely hope it will, but doubt it.

Where are our officers? The crowd which congregates every evening on the sidewalk between Walnut street and J. B. Shaw's store is by no means an ornament to the street, and ladies do not like to pass unattended. They should not be allowed to make this a loafing place.

Some miscreants, out of pure deviltry, broke down three young pear trees in the yard of Rev. Mr. Perry one evening this week. It would have been better if the fellows had allowed the trees to grow, and later in the season given the owner a chance to fill their legs with peas from an old shotgun while they were after the pears.

When the janitor of St. Paul's church went to attend to his work there one evening not many days ago, he very much surprised a couple who were sitting on the steps just inside the stone porch built around the south door, indulging in soft talk and loving embraces. The suddenness with which they departed, he in one direction and she in another, was amusing, to say the least.

While Officer Palmer was searching for liquor a few days ago he found a suspicious looking whisky bottle hid away in a cupboard, and at once pounced upon it, drew the cork and placed the bottle to his nose to see what it smelled like. The bottle had been "fixed" for just such an occasion as that, and the smell which he smelled came near knocking him down. The bottle was filled with ammonia.

A large number of Odd Fellows and invited guests gathered at the lodge rooms last Friday evening to celebrate the 65th anniversary of the founding of Odd Fellowship in this country. The entertainment, consisting of readings by Miss Leach of New London, songs and music by local talent, was very much enjoyed by all, after which all adjourned to Union Hall, where a supper was served. After supper the dancers occupied the floor until about 12.30, enjoying a pleasant social time.

The Seymour-Stratton Theater Company is booked for Wales Hall next Tuesday evening, when they will present the play "East Lynne." The New York *Herald* says of this company:

The Seymour-Stratton New York Standard Theatre company played East Lynne at their headquarters here to a large audience during the week. The actors all displayed a high order of talent and rendered the great emotional play in a manner becoming its merit. The large audience was very well pleased with their old favorites, and will give the Seymour-Stratton company a hearty reception when they come this way again.

The conductor on the owl train from Springfield last Sunday morning put off a passenger at this station who had no ticket or money. The passenger was apparently a boy of about 17 years, but upon being questioned by the depot watchman, owned up to being a girl in boys' clothes. She said her father lived in New Haven, and that on account of her mother's death she had been obliged to do housework until she became tired of it and decided to run away. She said she was sorry for her conduct, and wished to go home. Her father was telegraphed to, and came for her on Monday morning, she being cared for meanwhile by the depot watchman.

These remarks by the New York *Tribune* are commended to the thoughtful consideration of our citizens. We haven't even a weak fire department, to be sure, but the moral is quite as plain:

There is nothing in which the officials of small towns are apt to be so remiss as in making provision against fire; and they usually pay dearly for their economy when the flames get beyond the control of their firemen and destroy half the town. That seems to have been the trouble yesterday in Glens Falls in this State. The fire department was weak, the hose was in no condition, and no body obeyed orders; as a result the citizens are out of pocket about $200,000. Inexperience is sometimes an excuse for an inefficient fire department; but the good people of Glens Falls can hardly excuse themselves on that plea. They were burned out of house and home much in the same way twenty years ago.

The selectmen have granted the following licenses: 1st class, $150 (to sell liquors of any kind to be drunk on the premises,) J. W. Weeks, C. P. Stone, F. N. Shepard of Palmer, P. H. Rockford of Three Rivers; 1st and 4th classes, $150 and $100, (4th class to sell liquors of any kind not to be drunk on the premises,) George A. Griffin, William Thompson, John Feeney, Joseph Thompson, of Palmer, J. P. Dunn, Three Rivers, Mary Kelliher, Thorndike, and Maurice Moriarty, Bondsville; 2d class, $75, (to sell malt liquors, cider and light wines, containing not more than 15 per cent of alcohol, to be drunk on the premises,) William Farrell of Bondsville; 3d class, $75, (to sell malt liquors and cider, to be drunk on the premises,) Jerry Hanafin of Bondsville; 2d and 5th classes, $75 each, (5th class, to sell malt liquors, cider and light wines, containing not more than 15 per cent of alcohol, not to be drunk on the premises) M. Fox of Palmer; 4th class, $75, (to sell liquors of any kind, not to be drunk on the premises,) O. P. Allen, Palmer, Grise and Forand, Three Rivers, J. F. Foley, Thorndike, Jerre Shea, Bondsville; 5th class, Caryl Bros., Palmer; 6th class, $1, (druggists' license, to sell for medicinal, mechanical and chemical purposes) A. P. Adams of Thorndike. Several applicants have been refused, and several have not yet been decided upon.

AT THE RINK.

A fair-sized audience was in attendance last Friday evening to witness the second appearance of the fancy skaters, Allison and O'Rourke of Worcester, who made their appearance at 9 o'clock and gave an exhibition which was much enjoyed by all present. O'Rourke showed a good deal of perseverence in attempting to jump ten chairs, which, owing to the smallness of the hall, was very difficult. A good company was also in attendance on Saturday evening. To-morrow forenoon there will be a session from 9.30 to 12 for ladies, at which time every attention will be shown them, making it a good opportunity for beginners. In the evening there will be music by the Palmer Cornet Band.

One week from to-morrow evening, May 10, there will be a masquerade and costume party, and every endeavor will be made to have a good time. Those who wish to skate before 9 o'clock must be masked.

For May 14th Miss Gilmore, the finest lady skater in the country, has been engaged to give an exhibition.

DISTRICT COURT.

April 28.—Albert Dean, assault; ordered to pay fine and costs of $28.10, and furnish $300 bonds to keep the peace for six months. He was committed.

Sylvester Donahue, disturbing the peace; fined $3, and costs of $5.75. Paid.

29.—Charles Deland, assault; paid fine and costs of $12.18, and furnished $100 bonds to keep the peace.

30.—W. F. Wuterick and Phillip Noessel of Brimfield, larceny; paid $34.57 and were discharged.

May 1.—Joseph Batty, drunk; assessed $11.65, in default of which was committed.

John Buckley, drunk; committed in default of $6.13.

J. W. Plympton, drunk; paid $4.98.

George D. Fisk of Wales, liquor selling; fine and costs amounting to $60.25. Appealed.

WALES.

F. A. Royce has been appointed a justice of the peace by Gov. Robinson.

The road commissioners on Tuesday contracted for the care of the roads for the ensuing year.

BELCHERTOWN.

J. R. Gould has gone to Vermont to purchase cattle.

George Longley has bought the post office block for about $1700.

Dr. W. P. Robinson has decided to locate at Lawrence.

HAMPDEN.

Epaphro Day has been qualified as a notary public.

W. H. Hitchcock, who came near losing his life by being caught in the fly wheel of the engine of the Glen mill, is able to be about once more.

THORNDIKE.

E. H. Libby and family have removed to Biddeford, Me.

A little six-years-old son of T. W. Keefe got lost Tuesday morning in the woods north of his house. He was found in the afternoon about a mile and a half from home.

An alarm of a fire which startled our village one evening last week turned out to be caused by some burning brush on the hill south of the village. The boys think "little Jim" must have got badly rattled.

Next Sunday the hour for service at the Congregational church will be changed from 1 p. m. to 11 a. m., and this hour will be continued for the next six months. Rev. W. B. Herrick of Amherst will preach next Sunday.

PALMER CENTER.

Geo. Paul has sold his farm to John K. Walker of Thorndike.

There will be a game of base ball here next Saturday between a Center nine and a nine from Thorndike. Geo. Converse will be umpire.

Miss Mabel Brown received about 20 of her friends at her home last Saturday afternoon, it being her 11th birthday. A good time was enjoyed by all.

The grading of the so-called Stimpson hill has ceased for the present. Already a difference of about 8 feet in the road grade has been made, besides widening the road and otherwise improving it greatly. The work has been done under the supervision of Selectman Kerrigan and Highway surveyor Brown.

THREE RIVERS.

Rev. C. L. Ayer of Rocky Hill, Conn., preached at the Union Church last Sunday.

A May supper will be given at the vestry of the Union church to-morrow evening by the ladies of the Sons of Temperance division.

At a recent meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association it was voted to close the reading and amusement rooms for six months, commencing with the first of May.

There will be a pastor's reception at the Baptist church vestry May 9th, in connection with which the ladies' society will give a hot biscuit and maple syrup supper. The public are cordially invited.

The local division of the Sons of Temperance are to give an entertainment on May 16th, when the drama, "The Last Loaf," will be presented. The division has voted to read some work on temperance, and a few chapters will be read at each regular meeting, beginning next Monday evening.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

The ladies' society hold a "sugaring off" at the chapel next week.

On next Sunday the Sabbath school will be at 2 o'clock and preaching at 6.

Rev. M. S. Howard delivered a preparatory lecture at the chapel Thursday evening.

The 'bus will run to the Street Sunday morning at 10 o'clock to accommodate all who wish to attend the communion service.

The ladies' society met with Mrs. Henry Cutler Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. W. F. Ellis and son of Colorado Springs returned home on Thursday for an extended visit.

Sunday night as four young people were returning home to Monson after a drive to Springfield, one of the horses was taken violently sick and died after reaching the house of W. M. Green, who supplied them with another horse and drove them home, returning with the owner of the dead horse, Mr. Hodge, about two o'clock in the morning. Cause of death unknown.

WILBRAHAM.

The Wesleyan's defeated the Shamrocks of Indian Orchard last Saturday by a score of 18 to 2.

The Willing Workers will hold their annual fair and ice cream festival at the congregational church next Tuesday evening.

The school committee meets this evening at the house of Prof. C. M. Parker, to choose a school committeeman in the place of Henry Cutler, resigned.

At the meeting of the North church Sunday school on Tuesday evening, these officers were elected: Superintendent, Mrs. S. J. Steele; assistant superintendent, Mrs. L. O. Mansfield; treasurer, James Stevens; librarian, B. F. Squiers; secretary, Emma P. Brewer; chorister, Mrs. Frost.

The following students at the academy, from the first and second years, have been selected to contest for the principal's prize, anniversary week: John S. Briggs of Newark, N. J., Santiago Casals of Gibara, Cuba, Lonis S. Converse of Stafford Springs, Ct., Samuel S. Hudson of Uxbridge, W. H. Hoyt of Lowell, E. Grant Stewart of North Evanston, Ill., Phebe M. Bartram of Sharon, Ct., Emma S. Conn of Philadelphia, Pa., Jennie Canfield of Middletown, Ct., Jennie B. Cowles of West Brookfield, Constance L. Jillson of Westfield, Mary B. Pease of Westfield. Herbert L. Rich of Attleboro and Elsie C. Hopkins of Chelsea are substitutes.

WEST WARREN.

Rev. Mr. Boardman occupied the pulpit of the Congregational church last Sabbath.

After trying for five years to build up a business, P. Hurley & Son closed their meat market on Tuesday.

Considerable religious interest was manifested at the Methodist prayer meeting Sunday evening, quite a number rising for prayers.

J. A. Bennett, who was stricken with paralysis a few weeks since, while at Thorndike, is much better, and it is hoped will ultimately recover.

Paul O'Neil is leaving his house on Chapel street and will take possession of the front tenement of his house on Main street. Rev. W. H. Adams will occupy Mr O'Neil's Chapel street residence.

E. A. Morse of Canton gave a very interesting lecture on temperance in Crossman hall Sunday afternoon to a small audience. As is usual, those who would seem to have been most benefited by it, were most conspicuous by their absence.

Peter Sharkey, for a number of years wood turner at C. W. Crossman & Son's tool shop, expects to start for Kansas Monday on a tour of investigation, and will settle if everything suits. Mr. Sharkey has been a faithful and efficient employe, and a genial shopmate. He will have the best wishes of his fellow workmen for his success.

WARREN.

Mr. Hitchings has been chosen a member of the school board.

East Lynne is to be played at the town hall Monday evening.

Wm. H. Shepard has the contract for building the new road.

Mr. A. L. Converse is to build another house on Keyes street.

Corinne and the Merrie Makers were at the town hall last evening.

Mrs. Converse had her opening this week, and made a fine display of hats and flowers.

Rev. Mr. Forbes has the past week declined a call from the Congregational church in East Hampton.

The October session of the Sons of Temperance of the state will be held with the division at this place.

Communion at the Congregational church Sunday, when two persons are to be received into membership.

May baskets have been hung at almost every house, and the bells that were broken are now being repaired.

The pews in the Congregational church were rented Tuesday afternoon. A large amount in premiums was paid.

A number of the village houses are receiving a new coat of paint, which improve their outward appearance greatly.

The farmers commenced the first of May to bring milk at seven o'clock in the evening instead of in the afternoon as they have done through the winter.

The committee on the cemetery are taking measures to get a supply of water in the grounds, as the effort last season was not as effectual as was expected.

The graduating class of the high school will only contain four members this year—three ladies and one gentleman. Miss Tagan will deliver the valedictory, and Miss Newell the salutation.

The Grand Army had a pleasant gathering Wednesday evening at their rooms. The ladies who were present gave them a surprise by presenting them with seven dozen silver spoons for their use on Decoration day and at other times when needed.

MONSON.

A sign nailed up by one of our citizens announces "a carage" for sale.

The selectman meet on Monday afternoon for regular monthly business.

James P. Smith of Holyoke bought the Parsons Cady place at auction for $700.

Frank Bills has rented a room in Newton's block and will carry on the watch repairing and jewelry business.

Rev. A. Hammatt will preach in Central Hall next Sunday morning. In the evening the long-hoped-for event, the organization of a Universalist church will occur. Rev. Messrs. G. V. Maxham, E. A. Perry, A. J. Patterson, D. D., of Boston, and the pastor are expected to participate. The exercises will commence promptly at seven o'clock.

The services at the M. E. church will be as usual next Sunday, preaching in the morning at 10.30, Sunday school immediately following, and prayer meeting in the evening at 6.30. The communion service will be held at 1.15 p. m. After next Sunday a change in the evening service will be made, and there will be a short sermon, followed by a prayer meeting.

At the citizens' meeting last Monday evening for the purpose of arranging for the dedication of the soldiers' monument, R. M. Reynolds and A. D. Norcross were chosen a committee on behalf of the citizens to act with the committee of arrangements of the Grand Army Post. The dedication will be on the 4th of July, and Gen. Chamberlain of Maine is expected as the orator of the day.

There is a crowd which gathers on the sidewalk in front of Central Block every evening, making audible remarks about passers-by, and otherwise making themselves disagreeable. No lady is sure of passing without being insulted, while at times the crowd is so great that it is with difficulty that one can elbow a passage through. Something should be done to prevent such a nuisance.

About a hundred of the neighbors, friends and well wishers of Mr. and Mrs. Burdick happily surprised them at their home last Wednesday evening, and reminded them of the thirtieth anniversary of their marriage. A set of white iron-stone ware, a nice hanging lamp and ten volumes encyclopedia, one dozen silver knives and forks, napkin rings and a moustache cup and meerschaum pipe for Mr. B. were presented, who kindly thanked the donors for the presents. Rev. Mr. Hammatt made some appropriate remarks, stories were told, refreshments bountifully supplied, and music appropriate for the occasion, together with a little of Prompter Fagan's assistance, rendered the occasion one long to be remembered by every one present.

IT IS RUMORED

That a Universalist church edifice will be erected in the near future.

That it will be an ornament to the town.

That extensive improvements are being made at Flynt's park.

That W. K. Flynt and family are about to remove to Palmer.

That the Monson laundry is doing a thriving business.

That improvements are being made on the Whitney place.

That an extra car will be put on between here and Palmer to accomodate the many who now travel that way.

That the sale of tickets at our station has increased since May 1st. Why?

That with some the question of private Jug-ger-naut (jug or not) is a serious one.

That a good many jugs go to Palmer to be filled.

A CARD.—Having been informed that it was a current rumor in Palmer and vicinity that I had been arrested and imprisoned, I take this method of informing my friends that through a mistake I was detained by an officer, but was released within two hours, without being taken before any court, and as soon as it was possible to ascertain the facts. My address is Palmer, Mass. JAMES CARROLL.

Palmer, April 24, 1884.

The authorites at Washington have issued a circular proclaiming that no rags from Egypt will be allowed to land in this country until they have been thoroughly disinfected by one of these methods: "1. Boiling in water for two hours under a pressure of 50 pounds per square inch; 2, boiling in water for four hours without pressure, and 3, subjection to the action of confined sulphurous acid gas for six hours, burning one and a half to two pounds of roll brimstone in each 1000 cubic feet of space, with the rags well scattered upon racks."

A young lady of Bolivar county, Miss., who was on her way home on horseback one day last week, was met by a negro who dragged her from her horse and assaulted her. The neighbors turned out and hunted the brute down with dogs, then placed a rope around his neck and slowly strangled him. Vengeance is swift and sure in that section of the country.

THE SALVATION ARMY.

Correspondence of the JOURNAL.

Mr. Editor:—During a recent trip to Salem, the writer attended a meeting of that picturesque organization, the "Salvation Army," a branch of which is located in that city; and as a majority of your readers are probably not very familiar with the workings of the army, I will give you an account as well as I can on paper.

After a walk through a side street and around behind several business blocks, the rear end of an old building, the lower part of which is used for a blacksmith shop, was reached. Climbing a narrow and rickety stairway to the upper floor, the "barracks," as the room where the meetings are held is called, were entered, after the purchase for three cents of a copy of the "War Cry," the official organ of the army. No "War Cry," no admission. The brick walls are neatly white-washed, and plain pine benches without backs are provided for the audience, while at the farther end a platform is built across the end of the room. Upon this platform were seated some half a dozen regular members of the army, with about twenty others who had professed conversion under their teachings. The regular members all wore red Jersey jackets, making them look at a little distance like deck hands on a steamboat. The meeting was finally opened by the captain, an Englishman, who had a very marked way of dropping 'is haitches and picking 'em up again. He announced that what they were there for was a "'allelujah free and easy," and the name was very appropriate. After a solo by the captain, the others coming in on the chorus, and singing it several times through, they all knelt, and the captain and several others prayed. The responses to these prayers were worse than any you ever heard at a camp-meeting. They were neither in the right place nor appropriate, but were given with a will, and in a voice loud enough to be heard a quarter of a mile. Then followed a song called "Glory to the Lamb," which was accompanied by two tambourines, one in the hands of the only "hallelujah lassie" in the army, and the other in the hands of a big 200-pound fellow. There were more prayers and singing, loud shouting and out of place responses, after which it was announced that they would sing the song "Full Salvation," to the tune of "Mollie Darling." Poor Mollie! The tune was about as near "Mollie Darling" as Salem is to Chicago. By the way, nearly all of their songs are sung to the most popular tunes, such as "Peek-a-Boo," "Over the Garden Wall," and others of a similar character.

The lieutenant, a young fellow of about 20, who always wore a grin like a negro commedian, now read from the New Testament, made a few comments on the portion read, and ended by saying that they would commence on the next morning (Sunday) to parade the streets, and would continue to do so as long as they staid in Salem, which would be forever. "Roll the old Chariot Along" was then sung with a vim, and one verse announced that if the devil got in the way they'd roll it over him. After several songs they rendered "Oh, we will wear a crown; a hallelujah crown," in a manner which made one think that the music for a dance had struck up. During the singing of this every member of the army seemed to be composed of numberless joints, and the gestures which were given are indescribable, but each one was in active motion all over. An old man from Yorkshire, 56 years of age, then gave his experience. He was called "Hallelujah Joe," and he deserved the name. The way in which he could shout would make a steam fog horn collapse from mortification. The big tambourine man spoke next, and seemed like an overgrown jumping jack, so continually did he keep his arms in motion. He ended by singing his experience before the Salvation Army took him in, and the chorus of each verse was:

"The Salvation Ar—my took me in,
Now at the De—vil I can grin."

Just at this point they seemed inclined to sing, and went through a number of songs to lively tunes, and a new beginner, evidently fired with a desire to do something for the good of the cause, with much more perseverance than voice worried through five long verses of a song, the company all coming in on the chorus. The door keeper now made a long speech, and that familiar church ceremony—taking up a collection—was indulged in. After this was done some one started up the song "I am a child of the King, I am," to a go-as-you-please-hop-skip-and-jump-tune, and such a shouting you never heard. Then a chance was given for outsiders to speak, and a few did so, after which "Just as I am" was sung, and the crowd left. Taken altogether the meeting was about as much like a negro minstrel show as it well could be, and the audience seemed to regard it as such. The meetings cannot be described with pen or in words, and must be seen to be fully appreciated.

RAMBLER.

May Magazines.

The *Atlantic* for May continues the serial stories, "A Roman Singer," by Mr. Crawford, and "In War Time," by S. W. Mitchell, with undiminished interest. "The Anatomizing of William Shakespeare," is the first of two articles by Richard Grant White, which will prove an interesting study of the facts of Shakespeare's life and writings, dissipating some of the illusions which his extreme worshipers have created. French studies of travel, by Henry James, are continued. Prof. E. P. Evans has an article whose title, "Linguistic Paleontology," would seem to indicate that it is for scholars only, but it will be found of interest to all intelligent readers. Dr. Geo. E. Ellis contributes an interesting paper on Gov. Thomas Hutchinson, who was in authority in the Colony of Massachusetts Bay just before the Revolution. Henry Cabot Lodge writes of William H. Seward, and Miss Harriet W. Preston has an essay on "Matthew Arnold as a Poet." The short story of the number is entitled "At Rent's Hotel." Articles of public national interest are, "The Silver Danger," by J. Laurence Laughlin; and "The Progress of Nationalism," by Edward Stanwood. The poems are by T. B. Aldrich, H. H., and Edith M. Thomas. Several important books are reviewed, and the Contributors' Club is interesting and attractive.

The Springfield club decided on Tuesday evening to have a grand tournament on Hampden Park September 2, 3, 4, and 5, and that week will be looked forward to with much interest by wheelmen in all parts of the world, and the sporting community in general.

A Boston firm advertises by building a stall in one of their store windows, quartering that famous trotter, Judge Fullerton, in it, and announcing that they will give the horse to the customer guessing nearest his weight.

Down in Texas they find it very convenient not to recognize acquaintances sometimes, and a few days ago after a mob in that state had killed a negro murderer by tying him to a tree and building fires around him, fully 300 men helping or looking on and the time being broad day, a coroner's jury of the county soberly returned a verdict that the wretch came to his end "by being burned to death by some person or persons unknown."

It is said that the narrowest house in the city of New York is 251 William street. It is built of red brick, is three stories high, and it is not quite six feet wide. The lower floor is occupied by a shoemaker, who has to sit midway between the walls so as not to hit his elbows when sewing a seam. Persons entering the house must go in through the shoe shop or through doors leading in from other houses, as there is no room for a staircase.

Hiram Jellerson, an old farmer living near Des Moines, Ia., was brutally murdered last Saturday night. Four men entered his room, dragged him from his bed and pulled his hair and whiskers out by the roots, ending by dragging him naked to a tree and hanging him.

Prof. E. L. Richards, of Yale, and Gardner Morse of New Haven, Saturday, walked from the Massachusetts state line to New Haven, a distance of 54 miles. Prof. Richards wore shoes in which he has walked 1400 miles.

The grand jury of Philadelphia would like to indict P. T. Barnum as a nuisance, as they claim that his show brings a class of criminals and bad characters to the city, causing no end of rows and disturbances.

General Emerson Opdycke, a general in the late war, died at New York on Saturday from the effects of a wound caused by the accidental discharge of a revolver which he had been cleaning.

Charles A. Rugg, the negro who murdered the Maybee family at Long Island, has been found guilty, and sentenced to be hanged June 6th.

How Harry Norton and His Bride Went to Housekeeping.

"Good morning, Mrs. Norton. What a pretty cottage—and housekeeping so soon?"

"Yes, Miss Eva; Harry and I wanted a home, if ever so humble. I read in the JOURNAL that we could get an outfit in Springfield by paying part down, and the rest in installments, so we visited the great housekeeping store of Metcalf & Luther (the only place where we could find everything we wanted.) We bought four carpets, two chamber sets, a sitting and dining room suite, crockery, mirrors, silver ware, and kitchen furniture,—the whole for $300. We paid $50 down, and the rest at $15 a month. Harry gets good wages and we can do it easily. They were very polite and showed us many articles, such as kerosene stoves, glass-ware, baskets, oil cloths, ladies' writing desks, hall racks, sofas, lounges, etc., which we did not buy. They had everything needed for housekeeping. We found their prices full as low as at other stores. But look at our new range."

Eva: "It's a beauty. Does it cook well?"

Mrs. Norton: "Yes; and it is very saving of fuel. It is called the "Honschold." They have sold hundreds of them, although it is a new pattern."

Eva: "That is a nice refrigerator. Did you buy it of them?"

Mrs. Norton: "Yes. It is the "Diamond." We got it for $15, and it's just lovely. It keeps ice so long and the food is so sweet in it."

Eva: "What a pretty carpet this is?"

Mrs. Norton: "Yes, and cheap, too; a first quality ingrain and only 72½ cents. They had elegant body Brussels and tapestries for 90 cents. This carpet was from a bankrupt sale in New York, and Metcalf & Luther let us have it 25 per cent under price at other stores."

Eva: "Your curtains are very tasty."

Mrs. Norton: "Yes; we got them there, too. They have a very large stock and the greatest variety I ever saw. Their spring fixtures are the best made. See, the curtain goes up itself. Here is our carpet sweeper, the "New Model," the best, and kept by Metcalf & Luther, too. But you must go up stairs."

Eva: "Oh! what pretty chamber sets; light finish is very fashionable now."

Mrs. Norton: "Yes, a neat ash set is good enough for Harry and I. We got both sets for less than $75.

Eva: "Well, you did get a bargain. I was in Hartford last week, and they asked me $50 for an ash set, no better than yours. You ought to be happy in so cosy a home, furnished for so little money."

Mrs. Norton: "Yes, we are happy, and I hope you may soon have as snug a little home of your own."

Eva: "I'll tell you a secret. I am to be married in three weeks, and I shall tell John about this Metcalf & Luther store, and we'll get our outfit like yours and go to housekeeping at once."

Mrs. Norton: "I congratulate you on your bright prospects, and hope you will take a trip to see Metcalf & Luther. You will find them opposite Court Square, and they will show you the largest stock of housekeeping goods you ever saw. Good morning."—*From the Household.* 4w3

A fact: That Fay's Shoe Store has the largest stock of fine and medium boots and shoes in Springfield. 8w2

Forbes & Wallace, Springfield, offer 50 pieces of scrim, with lace effect, for 12½ cents per yard, really worth 25c. This is a great bargain.

FOUL MURDER.—The great Chicago Bankrupt Clothing Co. open at 409 Main street, Springfield, Mass., nearly opposite the Opera House, Saturday, May 3d, sixty-five thousand dollars' worth of men's and boys' ready-made clothing, for 15 days only. Don't miss the greatest opportunity of your life to buy clothing for almost nothing. It will pay you to come 50 miles to buy at this great sale. Full men's union cassimere suit $3.15, worth $12; boys' full cassimere suits $1.38, worth $7. Sign—Foul murder flags.

Everybody Knows It.

When you have the Itch, Salt Rheum, Galls, or Skin Eruption of any kind, and the Piles, that you know without being told of it. G. L. Hitchcock, Palmer, G. L. Keeney, Monson, and C. E. Blood, Ware, the druggists, will sell you Dr. Bosanko's Pile Remedy for 50 cents, which is a sure cure for either of the above diseases. 1yL&cow

An Eye to Business.

O. P. Allen, the druggist, is always wide-awake to business and spares no pains to secure the best of every article in his line. He has secured the agency for Kemp's Balsam for Consumption, Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, and all affections of the throat and lungs. Sold on a positive guarantee. Price 50 cents and $1.00. Trial size free. cow17

Cause of Failure.

Want of confidence accounts for half of the business failures of to-day. G. L. Hitchcock, Palmer, G. L. Keeney, Monson, and C. E. Blood, Ware, the druggists, are not liable to fail for want of confidence in Dr. Bosanko's Cough and Lung Syrup, for they give away a bottle free to all who are suffering with coughs, colds, asthma, consumption, and all affections of the throat and lungs. 1yL&cow

Take 15 Cents,

And get Kemp's Botanic Liver Pills for Headache, for Biliousness, for Torpid Liver, for the Complexion. Use no other. Sold by O. P. Allen. cow17

Frank James, the noted desperado who has been on trial at Hamilton, Ala., for a robbery committed in 1881, was acquitted last Friday, but was immediately arrested on another charge.

An incendiary fire at Glens Falls, N. Y., Monday evening, destroyed two opera houses, a church and other buildings, causing a loss of $200,000.

OH, YE OF LITTLE FAITH!—Rice & Co's Eclectic Liniment works like magic in the cure and certain relief of rheumatism, neuralgia, headache, croup, etc. Motto—No cure, no pay. For sale at C. E. BLOOD'S Drug Store, Ware. 1

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"A god-send is Ely's Cream Balm," writes Mrs. M. A. Jackson of Portsmouth, N. H. "I had catarrh for three years! Two or three times a week my nose would bleed. I thought the sores would never heal. Your balm has cured me."

I have greatly improved since using Ely's Cream Balm for Catarrh. I feel like a new man. It is a blessing to humanity.—John D. Farrell, Hartford, Conn. 2w4

Thousands are daily having freckles removed by a trial of Lady Camelia's Secret of Beauty. Price 50 cents, at Allen's Pharmacy. 1 4w y29

Oh, how beautiful it makes the complexion! For eruptions, Lady Camelia's Secret of Beauty is superior to soap or liniments. Price 50 cents. At Allen's Pharmacy. (3) 4w37

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At Monson, 28th ult., a son to CHARLES F. and ELEANOR ALDRICH.

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At Palmer, 30th ult., by Elder H. C. Smith, RUFUS BAKER of Warren and Mrs. PELTHREV BROWN of Palmer.

At Monson, 23d ult., by Rev. E. H. Bylington, AMASA M. BAGGS of Belchertown and EVA C. FITZGERALD.

At Wales, 26th ult., by Rev. H. H. Gay, GEORGE SHAW of Holyoke and MATTIE DOCKAREY.

At Springfield, 26th ult., THOMAS PARKES of Palmer and GRACE RILEY of New York.

At East Boston, 22d ult., ELEAZER H. ATWOOD and Mrs. JULIA C. OWES.

DIED.

At Palmer, 1st, GEORGE A. ENGLISH, 22.
At Monson, 25th ult., ADDISON THOMPSON, 77.
At Hardwick, 25th ult., JOHN PAIGE, 70.

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In fact, the Laboring Class' friend; the most honest medicine in the market; the greatest blood making medicine sold. It will cure
THE WORST CASE OF DYSPEPSIA.

One trial will convince any person that they cannot go without them. Buy them, try them and be happy.
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We have in store the
LARGEST AND BEST SELECTED STOCK
—OF—
BUILDERS' HARDWARE
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In Springfield.
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WANTED.—A complete set of Town and School Reports of the town of Ware. Any one having copies may find a purchaser by leaving them with the subscriber. We now have those for the years 1859, 1882, 1883, 1884.
C. W. EDDY.
Ware, May 2, 1884.

TROTTING STALLION!

GOLDEN CHARLIE,

Known as the BUCKSKIN STUD, will stand for service this season at Palmer.

Terms to warrant, $15.
2w5 D. F. HOLDEN.

FOR SALE!

1 good iron-axle Ox Cart, 1 Walter A. Wood Mowing Machine, nearly new; 1 New Home Sewing Machine, used very little and in good condition, and a quantity of Household Furniture.

N. A. THOMPSON.
South Monson, May 1, 1884. 2w5*

HOW TO MAKE HOME BEAUTIFUL.

Of Springfield's well-known house I fain would sing,
Her curtains and her draperies, matchless mirrors, everything
That gold can buy or cunning art produce,
To tempt the country lads and lasses, and induce
A visit to the largest, best and cheapest mart
Where Love can home adorn and satisfy the heart.

To Maxfield's mammoth warehouse I would turn your feet,
So happily standing sightly near, on Bridge, the street;
A distance little from the wide and busy Main,
Where crowds are thither hourly going from the train.

To warerooms full of lounges, bedsteads, bureaus, rocking chairs,
Parlor suites and desks, side-boards, stools mattresses and chiffoniers,
They come and go. To Maxfield's all have been to see
His giant stock, his tasteful goods, and Lilliputian prices;
He's surely caused a rush of trade and wakened up a crisis,
So hurry all for fear such bargains never more will be.

His parlor suites are rarest woods,
His chamber sets are newest goods,
His lambrequins, the neatest styles,
His draperies, the eye beguiles.

His dining sets, adorn a room,
His side-boards bright display a bloom
Of beauty, as mirrors flashing in the light of day,
When sunrise gilds the sky with diamond ray.

Hat racks tall and bureaus small,
With office chairs and chiffoniers,
And Shiela cloth and Madras laces,
Adorn the poles, or hang in folds,
And brighten all the places.

While roll top desks and rattan easy couches,
Bewitch the eye and draw the money pouches.
While tall and clear, exact and *Pier* the polished glasses,
Display the face, enhance the grace, and win the Misses.

The latest styles, just now, are dark mahogany chairs,
Mahogany bedsteads, tables, stands in sets and pairs,
Adorned and finished neatly in shining silken plush,
As modest and as pretty as a modest maiden's blush.

Do not forget his cabinets and his music stands,
His rattan bedsteads, rattan chairs and pillow shams;
And when you've seen what all his spacious rooms do hold,
You'll say the half his bargains never have been told;
You'll join with me in wishing thousands more should know
Maxfield's the place where thousands more should go.

Maxfield the sire, Maxfield the son,
Long may his house, its glories won,
The trade lead on, as they have done
For decades yet, and more to come.

In homes on distant mountains wild,
When song of dame, or laugh of child,
Wake answering echoes 'round the walls
As home father's footsteps cheerful falls,
May Maxfield's goods and Maxfield's name,
Adorn those homes and win him fame.
4w5

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE WARE NATIONAL BANK, at Ware, in the State of Mass., at the close of business, 24th April, 1884.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts,	$398,895 48
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation,	300,000 00
Other stocks, bonds and mortgages,	2,000 00
Due from approved reserve agents,	26,346 14
Real estate, furniture and fixtures,	3,785 30
Premiums paid,	18,000 00
Bills of other Banks,	5,158 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and pennies,	469 76
Specie,	8,700 00
Legal tender notes,	5,000 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer, (5% of circulation),	13,500 00
TOTAL,	$731,854 68

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in,	$300,000 00
Surplus fund,	60,000 00
Undivided profits,	17,950 47
National Bank notes outstanding,	270,000 00
Dividends unpaid,	1,791 00
Individual deposits subject to check,	93,188 71
Demand certificates of deposit,	8,925 00
TOTAL,	$731,854 68

State of Mass., county of Hampshire, ss:
I, William S. Hyde, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
WILLIAM S. HYDE, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of May, 1884. FREDERICK D. GILMORE, Notary Public.
CORRECT—Attest:
WILLIAM HYDE, }
OTIS LANE, } Directors.
CALVIN HITCHCOCK, }

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE PALMER NATIONAL BANK, at Palmer, in the State of Mass., at the close of business, April 24th, 1884.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts,	$311,392 62
Overdrafts,	5,756 79
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation,	75,000 00
Due from approved reserve agents,	22,716 82
Due from other National Banks,	1,718 17
Real estate, furniture and fixtures,	1,300 00
Current expenses and taxes paid,	81 85
Checks and other cash items,	270 13
Bills of other Banks,	2,761 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and pennies,	40 67
Specie,	4,324 20
Legal tender notes,	3,966 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer, (5% of circulation,)	3,375 00
TOTAL,	$432,703 25

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in,	$150,000 00
Surplus fund,	35,000 00
Undivided profits,	6,852 60
National Bank notes outstanding,	67,500 00
Dividends unpaid,	489 00
Individual deposits subject to check,	80,479 91
Demand certificates of deposit,	78,807 27
Due to other National Banks,	1,153 34
Notes and bills re-discounted,	12,421 13
TOTAL,	$432,703 25

State of Mass., County of Hampden, ss.
I, Chas. B. Fisk, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
CHAS. B. FISK, Cashier
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of April, 1884. S. S. TAFT, Notary Public.
L. S.
CORRECT—Attest:
JAS. B. SHAW, }
J. F. HOLBROOK, } Directors.
L. E. MOORE, }

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE MONSON NATIONAL BANK, at Monson, in the State of Mass., at the close of business, April 24, 1884.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts,	$165,476 17
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation,	162,000 00
Other stocks, bonds and mortgages,	53,458 80
Due from approved reserve agents,	13,460 82
Due from other National Banks,	14,143 22
Real estate, furniture and fixtures,	2,500 00
Current expenses and taxes paid,	1,001 21
Checks and other cash items,	63 07
Bills of other Banks,	2,130 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and pennies,	342 13
Specie,	982 05
Legal tender notes,	4,022 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer, (5% of circulation,)	6,750 00
TOTAL,	$423,329 42

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in,	$150,000 00
Surplus fund,	30,000 00
Undivided profits,	46,257 88
National Bank notes outstanding,	143,830 00
Dividends unpaid,	737 00
Individual deposits subject to check,	40,363 01
Demand certificates of deposit,	5,579 42
Due to other National Banks,	1,613 89
Premium account,	4,948 25
TOTAL,	$423,329 42

State of Massachusetts, county of Hampden, ss:
I, E. F. Morris, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
E. F. MORRIS, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of May, 1884. GEO. H. NEWTON,
L. S. Notary Public.
CORRECT—Attest:
CYRUS W. HOLMES, }
R. S. MINN, } Directors.
S. F. CUSHMAN, }

NEW GOODS
—IN—
All Departments.

OUR ASSORTMENT OF
Spring Gloves and Hosiery
Is especially full and complete, enabling us to supply the wants of Ladies, Misses, and Children in
STYLE, SIZE OR QUALITY.

A great variety of
FANCY HANDKERCHIEFS.
BUTTONS. HOOP-SKIRTS, CORSETS,
AND TRIMMINGS.
NEW CAMBRICS, GINGHAMS,
AND PRINTS.

We also keep just as
Good Groceries
AS THE MARKETS AFFORD.

WE RESPECTFULLY ASK A COMPARISON OF OUR GOODS AND PRICES.

J. B. SHAW.

Palmer, April 24, 1884.

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For many years people have had to pay larger profits on
PAPER HANGINGS
Than for any other class of goods sold in Palmer. You know that,
BEHOLD, A CHANGE!
I was virtually driven into this business, but once here propose to make myself at home, and hereafter shall sell everything belonging to the
PAPER HANGING
Trade at a fair, honest,
LIVING PROFIT,
NO MORE, NO LESS,
Always keeping a large assortment of the very best goods in all grades and prices of the latest, prettiest, and
MOST DESIRABLE DESIGNS!
I cordially invite every one who is interested in
PAPER HANGINGS
To call and examine my stock. The best of
Workmen Furnished,
And everything guaranteed. My object is to please my patrons in every way.
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SATISFACTION GUARANTEED. Sample Cards furnished upon application. 6m4

NOTICE!

The Selectmen of Palmer hereby give notice that all who will be granted a license for the sale of intoxicating liquors for the year ensuing will be required to have their *Bonds* ready, and to take their license and pay for the same, on or before the 11th day of May next.
D. B. BISHOP, Chairman.
April 25th, 1884. 2w4

WANTED.

A smart, intelligent boy, about 15 or 16 years of age, to learn the printer's trade.
Apply at THIS OFFICE.

TO RENT.

A barn on the corner of School and Park streets. Inquire on the premises. W. W. CONVERSE. 3w3*

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The Most Complete Stock
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FROM $3.00 to $25.00.
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FROM $3.00 to $22.00.
Boys' Suits,
FROM $2.50 to $12.00.
Men's Pants,
FROM 75c. to $6.50.
Boys' Pants,
FROM 50c. to $2.00.
Spring Overcoats,
FROM $5.00 to $20.00.
CUSTOM SUITS
AT SHORT NOTICE.

IT PAYS TO EXAMINE GOODS AND PRICES.

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T. BROADHURST,
57 Worthington St., SPRINGFILD.
8w2

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.

By virtue of a license from the probate court, I, J. M. Lyon of Wales, Mass., administrator, with the will annexed, of the estate of Alvin Colburn, late of said Wales, deceased, will sell at public auction, on the premises, on Monday, the 28th day of April next, at 10 o'clock a. m., the following real estate: The home farm of said Alvin Colburn, situated in said Wales, containing 100 acres, more or less, bounded north by land now or formerly of Jos. U. Royce, Jr., and in part by the highway; east by land now belonging to said estate and Samuel B. Perry, south by land of Samuel B. Perry and Isaiah Hiscock, and west by land of said Joseph U. Royce, Jr. The sale will be made subject to any rights of way over the land. Terms cash. At 11 o'clock a. m. on said day, on the premises, following, I shall sell at public auction certain real estate belonging to said estate, known as the "Royce place," situated partly in said Wales and partly in the town of Holland, bounded north by land of the Needham heirs, east by the "Kenny lot" owned by said estate, south by land of Isaiah Hiscock and land of Samuel B. Perry, and west by the home farm of Alvin Colburn's heirs. Terms, cash. Both sales will be subject to the taxes for 1884.
Wales, Apr. 8th, 1884. 3w2 J. M. LYON.

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Carpets dusted in the best manner by machinery. No injury to goods guaranteed. Carpets called for and delivered free.

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TERMS: - - - - - CASH ON DELIVERY.
J. H. SMITH,
April 3, 1884. Palmer, Mass. 4w1

FOR SALE!

One horse power Wood Saw, one Gray Horse, 6 years old, extra worker; one Brown Horse, good worker; two buggies, one buckboard, one two-horse wagon, new one; one-horse wood wagon, one two-horse sled, one pair team harness, made to order; one business wagon, 4 seats, for one or two horses, nearly new; also one feed box, hay cutter, chains, plows, blankets, etc. All will be sold cheap for cash, as I have no further use for them.
8w48 HENRY C. N. CROSS, Thorndike, Mass.

STALLION DONALD,

English draft (with pedigree) will stand at the stable of G. W. Keith, Thorndike, Mass., for the season of 1884.

Donald is black, of beautiful proportions; is 17 hands high; weighs 1450. 3m3*

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Cottage house and three-fourths acre of land, well stocked with Fruit Trees, situated in the center of Monson, near churches, schools and post office. For particulars address,
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FOR SALE.

My late residence, cor. Park and Central sts., Palmer. Enquire of
DR. J. K. WARREN,
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FOR SALE.—My Cottage on Fox avenue, containing 10 rooms. Good barn on the place.
C. E. FISH.
Palmer, 16, Nov. 1883 33tf

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—AND—
WE Are READY.

ONE GLANCE AT
THE BARGAINS
IN OUR LARGE AND ATTRACTIVE NEW SPRING AND SUMMER STOCK
—OF—
Clothing,
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Hats, Caps, Trunks,
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IN PRICES TO
Reduce Stock.

In my attempts hitherto to dispose of my business, I have found my large stock the principle obstacle, it being beyond the means of any of the several applicants. I now propose to reduce it by
A SPECIAL SALE
At greatly reduced prices, on new goods as well as old.
MY NEW SPRING STYLES OF
Paper Hangings
Were bought before I proposed to sell out, and are now in stock. They comprise the finest selection and largest assortment within fifteen miles, and are offered at lower prices than can be found anywhere.

CROCKERY, LAMPS, GLASSWARE,
WINDOW SHADES, FIXTURES,
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FANCY & MISCELLANEOUS GOODS,
AT SLAUGHTER PRICES!

If you are to do any PAPERING any time this year, or will need any goods in my line, it will pay you to buy now. Such an opportunity will not occur again. Don't wait for pleasant days. Come early and secure the bargains.

This special sale will run until further notice, but may be discontinued in a few days.

"Now is the accepted time,"

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Bank Block, Palmer.

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Have not been SO LOW in PRICE for a number of years. J. W. Masury's RAILROAD WHITE LEAD and COLORS, a fine article, at 6½ cents.

Barbed Fence Wire 6 cents.

A JOB LOT of 5 GROSS SIX-QUART MILK PANS (pressed) at $1.00 PER DOZEN.

A LOT OF
Nice Ranges at $10.00.

☞ IT WILL PAY YOU TO CALL ON US BEFORE PURCHASING THERE WILL BE MONEY IN IT.

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OLD MACHINES TAKEN IN EXCHANGE!
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Having sold my Fenton Farm, I offer for sale stock consisting of
COWS, HEIFERS AND STEERS.
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MOWER, HAY RAKE, TEDDER.
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And Small Tools.
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Palmer, March 14, 1884. 50tf

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At the JOURNAL OFFICE.

The Arbutus.

Looks so shy and innocent,
Blushes like a startled thing;
Who would think it knew the whole
Of the secrets of the spring?

Keeps its rosy ear laid low,
Harking, harking at the ground,
Never missed a syllable
Of the slightest word or sound.

Chuckled often in its leaves,
Thinking how the world would wait;
Searching vainly for a flower,
Wondering why the spring was late.

Other secrets, too, it knows—
Secrets whispered o'er its head;
Underneath its snowy veil
Oft these secrets turn it red.

Whisper on glad girls and boys!
Sealed the fragrant rosy wells;
You and spring are safe alike—
Never the arbutus tells!

BODILY LOCATION OF HUMAN HAPPINESS.

Dr. B. W. Richardson, in *The Asclepiad*, treating of felicity as a sanitary research, observes: "The center of the emotion of felicity is not the brain. The center is the vital nervous system, in the great ganglia of the sympathetic, lying not on the cerebro spinal cavities, but in the cavities of the body itself, near the stomach and the heart. We know where the glow which indicates felicity is felt, and our poets have ever described it with perfect truthfulness as in the breast. It comes as a fire kindling there. No living being ever felt happy in the head; everybody who has felt felicity has felt it from within the body. We know again, where the depression of misery is located; our physicians of all time have defined that, and have named the disease of misery from its local seat. The man who is miserable is hypochondriac: his affection is seated under the lower ribs. No man ever felt misery in the head. Every man who has felt misery knows that it springs from the body, speaks of it as exhaustion, a sinking there. He is broken-hearted; he is failing at the center of life; he is bent down because of central failure, and his own shoulders, too heavy to be borne, feel as if oppressed by an added weight or burden, under which he bends as though all the cares of the world were upon him to bear him down."

Commenting on this the *Lancet* says that, in other words, felicity is a physical result of a brisk and healthily full circulation of blood through the vessels supplying the ganglia of the great sympathetic system of nerves; and whatever quickens and at the same time frees the flow of blood in these vessels particularly, engenders the feeling we call happiness. This is the fact, and we believe it explains the action of many articles of food and medicine and medical appliances. It moreover, explains and confirms the truth of the maxim which we have so often recommended for general adoption: "Be briskly, not languidly, joyous if you would be well." This is the converse of the doctrine that happiness is an affair of the heart and stomach. A comfortable, as contrasted with an austere, mode of life is the most natural, and therefore the healthiest and the best. We sometimes wonder why those who live by rule, and tremble as they live, laboring to eat and drink precisely what is "good for them," and nothing else, are so weakly and miserable. The cause of failure is that such persons are over careful: life is a burden to them. They have no "go" in their mode of existence. One-half of the dyspeptics we see, and whose sufferings we are asked to relieve, would be *well* if they only were *happy*. Everything in life and nature acts and reacts in a circle. Be happy, and your sympathetic ganglia will have the blood coursing through them with the bound of health; and this quickening of the pulse, if it be produced by "good cheer," whether at the table or on the mountain side, will, in its turn, produce happiness. Felicity is the outcome of a physical state, and that state is itself enhanced by the sort of cheerfulness which often consists in being happy in spite of circumstances.

IT'LL MAKE YOU WORK.

Those who indulge in the use of intoxicating liquor sometimes apologize for their drinking by asserting that it helps them to do their work. The following dialogue is a good answer to the unfounded assertions:

"I drink to make me work," said a young man. To which an old man replied: "That's right; thee drink, and it will make thee work! Hearken to me a moment, and I'll tell thee something that may do thee good."

"I was once a prosperous farmer. I had a good, loving wife and two fine lads as the sun ever shone on. We had a comfortable home, and lived happily together.

"But we used to drink ale to make us work. Those two lads I have laid in drunkards' graves. My wife died broken hearted, and she now lies by her two sons. I am seventy-two years of age.

"Had it not been for drink, I might have been an independent gentleman; but I used to drink to make me work, and mark, I am obliged to work now. At seventy years of age it makes me work for my daily bread. Drink! drink! and it will make thee work."
—*Northern Messenger.*

When you poke the end of your finger in your ear, the roaring noise you hear is the sound of the circulation in your finger, which is the fact as any one can demonstrate for himself by first putting his fingers in his ears, and then stopping them up with other substances. Try it, and think what a wonder of a machine your body is, that even the points of your fingers are busy workshops that they roar like a small Niagara. The roaring is probably more than the noise of the circulation of the blood. It is the voice of all the vital processes together—the tearing down and building up processes that are always going forward in the living body, from conception down to death.

That is a beautiful picture of social order which the petition to the House of Commons from Besshrook, Ireland, presents. A village of three thousand inhabitants and never saw a grog-shop in it! (the owner of the place refusing to rent a building for the traffic) "pauperism and crime almost unknown."

"Speaking about 'mean temperature,'" observed a citizen to a meteorological friend, "it seems to predominate this year."

He is rich whose income is more than his expenses: and he is poor whose expenses exceed his income.

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of the Mutual affairs which spring up to-day and die to-morrow, but the old, standard companies which have done business through the years of panic and fraud, will remain sound years after "Josh" is forgotten—scattering goblen blessings to the widow and orphan.

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The Way of the Rain.

I heard an old farmer talk one day,
Telling his listeners how
In the new wide country far away
The rainfall follows the plow.

"As fast as they break it up, you see,
And turn the heart to the sun,
As they open the furrows deep and free,
And the tillage is begun.

"The earth grows mellow, and more and more
It holds and sends to the sky
A moisture it never had before,
When its face was hard and dry.

"And so, wherever the plow-shares run
The cloud runs overhead,
And the soil that works and lets in the sun
With water is always fed."

I wonder if that old farmer knew
The half of his simple word,
Or guessed the message that, heavenly true,
Within it was hidden and heard.

It fell on my ear by chance that day,
But the gladness lingers now,
To think that it is always God's dear way
That rainfall follows the plow.

A. D. T. Whitney.

A LOVE STORY.

Annie had arrived at the mature age of twenty-seven, and was yet in a state of single blessedness. Somehow or other she had not even fallen in love as yet. "Had she no offers?" What a simple question! Did you ever know half a million of dollars to go begging? Offers? Yes, scores of them! It may be accounted as one of her oddities, perhaps, but whenever the subject happened to be touched upon by her father, Annie would say that she wanted some one who would love her for herself, and she must have assurance of this, and how should she in her present position? Thus matters stood, when Annie was led to form and execute what will appear a very strange resolution—but she was a resolute girl. We must now go back six years.

One dark rainy morning in November, as our old friend was looking composedly at the cheerful fire in the grate of his counting room, really indulging in some serious reflections on the past and future, and far future, too, a gentleman presented himself and inquired for Mr. Breman. The old man uttered not a word but merely bowed. There was that in his looks which said "I am he."

The stranger might have been some thirty years or so of age. He was dressed in black, a mourning weed was on his hat, and there was something in his appearance which seemed to indicate that the friend whose loss he deplored had recently departed. The letter of introduction which he presented to Mr. B. was quickly yet carefully perused, and as it was something unique we submit its contents to the reader:

Friend Paul:—This will introduce to thee friend Charles Copeland. He has come to the city in pursuit of business. I have known him from my youth up. Thou mayst depend upon him for aught that he can do, and shall not lean as upon a broken reed. If thou canst do anything for him thou mayst peradventure benefit thyself and find cause to rejoice. Thy former and present friend, MICAH LOOMIS.

"It is not every one that can get old Micah Loomis's endorsement on his character," said Paul Bremen to himself, as he folded up the letter of the well-known associate of former days, "Old Micah is good for a quarter of million, or for anything else—it will do—I want him—getting old, business increasing—must have some more help—now as well as any time.

The old gentleman looked at all this, as he stood gazing in perfect silence on the man before him. At length he opened his lips.

"Mr. Copeland, you know all about books?"

"I have had some few years' experience."

"Any objection to a place here? Pretty close work—only one thousand a year."

"None."

"When can you begin?"

"Now."

A real smile shone on the old man's face. It lingered there like the rays of the setting sun among the clouds of evening, lighting up those seemingly hard, dark features.

A stool was pushed to the new-comer, books were opened, matters explained, directions given, the pen was dipped in the ink, and, in short, before an hour had passed away, you would have thought that the old and young man had known each other for many years.

In reference to our new friend, it will be sufficient to remark that he had been liberally educated, as the phrase goes, and though he had entered early into business, he had not neglected the cultivation of the mind and heart. After a few years of success in the pursuits of which he had devoted himself, misfortunes came thick and fast upon him. He found himself left with scarcely any property and alone in the world.

As year after year passed away, he grew steadily in the confidence of his employer. Very little indeed was said by either of them, not connected with the routine of business, and there had been no intercourse whatever between them, save in the counting room. Thus six years went by, toward the close of which period old Bremen was found looking with much frequency and earnestness at the young woman before him. Something was evidently brewing in that old head. And then, too, he looked so curiously. The Irish servant was puzzled. "Sure," said James, "something is coming." Annie, too, was somewhat perplexed, for those looks dwelt much on her.

"What is it, father?" she asked of him one morning at the breakfast table, as he sat gazing steadfastly in her face; "do tell me."

"I wish you would have him!" burst forth like an avalanche. "Known him for six years—true as a ledger—a gentleman—real sensible man—don't talk much—regular as clock work—prime for business—worth his weight in gold."

"Have who, father? What are you talking about?"

"My head clerk, Copeland—you don't know him—I do—haven't seen anybody else worth a pinch."

Annie was puzzled. She laughed, however, and said, "Marry my father's clerk; what would people say?"

"Humbug, child, all humbug—worth forty of your whiskered, lounging, lazy gentry; say what you please, what do I care? what's money, after all? got enough of it; want a sensible man—want somebody to take care of it; all humbug."

"What's all humbug, father?"

"Why, people's notions on these matters—Copeland is poor, so was I once, may be again; world's full of changes; seen a great many of them in my day; can't stay here long—got to leave you, Annie; wish you'd like him."

"Father, are you serious?"

"Serious, child!" and he looked so.

Annie was a chip of the old block; a strong-minded, resolute girl. A new idea seemed to strike her.

"Father, if you are really serious in the matter, I'll see this Copeland; I'll get acquainted with him. If he likes me, and I like him, I'll have him. But he shall love me for myself alone; I must know it. Will you leave the matter to me?"

"Go ahead, my child, and do as you like. Good morning."

"Stop a moment, father; I shall alter my name a little; I'll appear to be a poor girl, a companion of our friend Mrs. Richards, in H—— street. She shall know the whole affair; you shall call me by my middle name Peyton; I shall be a relative of yours; you shall suggest the business to Mr. Copeland, and arrange for the first interview. The rest will take care of itself."

"I see, I see," and one of those rare smiles illuminated his whole face. It actually got between his lips, parted them asunder, glanced upon a set of teeth but little the worse for wear, and was resting there, when he left the house for his counting-room. The twilight of that smile had not gone yet when he reached the well-known spot and bowed "good morning" to all in his employ, for old Paul was, after all, a polite man. On the morning of that day what looks were directed to our friend Charles; so many, so peculiar, so full of something, and the head clerk could not but notice them, and that, too, with some alarm. What was coming? At length the volcano burst forth.

"Copeland, my good fellow, why don't you get a wife?"

Had a thunderbolt fallen at his feet he could not have been more astonished. Did Mr. Bremen say that, and in his counting-room, too? The very ledger seemed to blush at the introduction of such a subject. He for the first time made a blot on the fair pages before him.

"I say why don't you get a wife? know just the thing for you; prime article; prime article; poor enough to be sure; what of that; a fortune in a wife, you know: a sort of relation of mine, don't want to meddle with other people's affairs; know your business best; can't help thinking you'll be happier; must see her."

Now the fact is, that Charles had for some time past thought so himself; but how the old man should have divined his feelings was quite a puzzle to him. In the course of the day Mr. B. handed him a sealed document of rather imposing form, saying:

"Copeland, you'll oblige me by leaving that at No. 67 H—— street. Place it in the hands of the person to whom it is directed, don't want to trust it to any one else."

The clerk saw on the outside: Mrs. Richards, No. 67 H—— street. The door bell was rung. The servant ushered Copeland into a small, neat parlor, where sat a lady, plainly dressed, engaged in knitting a sock. Our friend bowed and inquired for Mrs. Richards.

"She is not in, but is expected presently; be seated?" There was an ease and quietness about this person that seemed peculiar to Copeland. He felt at ease at once, and made some common-place remark which was immediately responded to; soon a conversation began, so interesting that Mrs. Richards was nearly forgotten. Her absence was strangely protracted, but at length she made her appearance. The document was presented; a glance at the outside:

"Mr. Copeland?" Charles bowed.

"Miss Peyton." The young lady bowed, and thus they were introduced. There was no particular reason for remaining any longer, and our friend took his departure.

That night Annie said to Mr. B., "I like his appearance, father."

"Forward, march!" said old Paul, and he looked at his daughter with a vast satisfaction. On the next day Charles Copeland came very near writing several times "Miss Peyton, Dr.," as he was making out some bills of merchandise sold.

"Delivered the paper last evening?"

Copeland bowed.

"Mrs. Richards is an old friend—humble in circumstances—the young lady, Peyton, worth her weight in gold any day; have her myself if I could."

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"How much you remind me of Mr. B.," said Charles one evening to Annie; "I think you said you were a relation of his?"

"I am a relative of his through my mother," was the grave reply.

Mrs. Richards turned away to conceal a smile.

Somewhat later than usual on that day, Annie reached her father's house; there was no mistaking the expression of her countenance. Happiness was written there.

"I see, I see," cried the old man; "the account is now closed, books balanced, have it all through now in short order. You are are a sensible girl; no foolish puss; just what I want; bless you child, bless you."

The next day Paul came, for almost the first time in his life, rather late to his counting room. Casks and boxes seemed to be starting with wonder.

"Copeland, you are a fine fellow; heard from Mrs. Richards; proposed to my relation, Peyton; all right; done it up well. Come to my house this evening; never been there before, eh? eight o'clock precisely; want to see you; got something to say."

"How much interest he seems to take in the matter," said Charles; "he's a kind old fellow in his way: a little rough, but good at heart."

At eight o'clock precisely the door bell of Mr. Bremen's mansion rung. Charles Copeland was ushered in by friend James. Old Paul took him kindly by the hand, and turning round abruptly, introduced him to "My daughter, Miss Alice Peyton Bremen," and immediately withdrew.

"Charles, will you forgive this?" He was too much astonished to make reply. "If you only knew all my feelings and motives, I am sure you would."

That the motives and feelings were soon explained to his entire satisfaction, no one will doubt.

"Copeland, my dear fellow," shouted old Paul, as he entered the room, "no use of a long engagement."

"Oh, father.

"No use, I say; married now; get ready afterwards, next Monday evening, who cares? Want it all over, feel settled. Shan't part with Annie, though; must bring your wife here; no words. Partner in business; Bremen & Copeland; papers drawn up; can't alter it! Won't stay in the room."

And all was arranged to his liking; and in Charles Copeland, as his old friend Micah Loomis had said, he found no "broken reed;" and in him had much "cause to rejoice!"

WHAT ARE YOU GOOD FOR?

"Children," said Mr. Brown, "what is my watch good for?"

"To keep time," the children answered.

"But suppose it can't be made to keep time, what is it good for?"

"It's good for nothing then," they replied.

"And what is this pencil for?"

"To mark with," said the children.

"But suppose it has no lead and will not mark, what is it good for?"

"Good for nothing."

"Well," said Mr. Brown. "what is the use of my knife?"

"To cut," answered the little ones.

"Suppose it has no blade," he asked again, "then what would it be good for?"

"Good for nothing."

"Tell me now," said Mr. Brown, "what is a boy or girl good for? What is the chief end of man?"

"Oh, that's catechism," cried Willie Brown. To glory God and to enjoy Him forever."

"Very well; if a boy or girl does not do what he or she is made for, what is he or she good for!"

And the children all answered, without seeming to think how it would sound:

"Good for nothing."

Dear boys and girls, if you are not seeking "to glorify God and to enjoy Him forever," is it not just as if you were good for nothing?—*Christian.*

SUNDAY CONUNDRUMS.

Why is it that good church people find it so easy to give from three to five hours to an entertainment or social gathering for their personal gratification, and are in such a hurry when asked to meet the vestry or committee, occasionally, to transact important work for the Lord?

Why does ten dollars seem so large when asked for church purposes and so small when it is to be expended on personal indulgencies?

Why is time so scarce when church bells call worship, but so plenty when the world calls to pleasure?

Why are Sundays and other church days colder, and hotter, and wetter than any other days?

Why do people who seldom or never respond to special call for money find the most fault because the calls are made?

Why is Sunday sickness the sickest sickness?

Why is not the salvation of the soul made the first consideration of all times?

"A young man," said the visitor, who had been invited by the superintendent to make a few feeble remarks to the boys, "is like a ship in the ocean—as long as the ship is sound and no water leaks in, she rides triumphant. So with a young man—he may be where there is wickedness, but if he can keep it from leaking in, if he keeps tight—that is—he—if he is always tight and —and—" And then the visitor realized that it was so awful that he could never make it right, and he sat down and feebly mopped his face with a red handkerchief, and it was so quiet you could have felt a window pane.—*Rockland Courier-Gazette.*

He is a dry goods clerk, and she is a high school girl with a knowledge of astronomy. They were walking the other evening, and growing soft and soulful, he remarked:

"Your eyes are just like stars."

"And they are fixed," she sweetly replied.

"Fixed," he uttered, dubiously; "what do you mean by fixed?"

"I mean," she said, with a blush, "that they are fixed on that sign."

He looked up and saw "Ice Cream and Water Ices." He had 50 cents, but what could that do?

"Yes," said the English nobleman, "I was disgusted with Newport. Why, there were two other earls there when I arrived, and I didn't begin to monopolize all the attention. America is becoming too overrun with noblemen."

Men are frequently like tea—the real strength and goodness are not properly drawn out until they have been in hot water.

A pound of energy with an ounce of talent, will achieve greater results than a pound of talent with an ounce of energy.

No Offence.

Sure I don't think old Jones
Had a right to get mad
At my makin' no bones
Of berating his lad,
For it's iv'ry mean thrick
The young villain is at;
Faith he put a big brick
In an ould stovepipe hat
Which he left in me thrack,
Just by way of a joke,
An' I gave it a whack
Wid me fut. Howly smoke!
'Twas near kilt that I was,
And I bellowed wid pain,
And the same was the cause
That I wint to complain.
But for all I complained
I was mighty polite,
An' wid rare I refrained
From remarkin' what might
On the old man reflect.
I wint out o' me way
To express me respect,
Me regard to display.
"Misther Jones, sir," said I,
"There is no one who can
Have the face to deny
You're a very fine man;
As a husband you're there,
As a father you're kind;
Better neighbor than you
Sure one never will find,
And it makes me quite sad
Such a man to annoy,
But your son, sir, bedad,
Is the divil's own boy!"

—*Boston Post.*

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

The great majority of newspaper readers give a glance at the "scare heads" at the top of columns and then look directly for weather indications. This is a tribute to the high degree of utility and accuracy to which this department of public service has been brought. Although Germany was the first country to establish what is popularly called a weather service, the United States has, in the interval since the war, far outstripped all other countries in this direction.

There is a prominent reason for this in the fact that the country's natural conditions lend themselves to the advancement and general accuracy of the science of predicting the weather. Our storms, for instance, originate in this country for the most part of their course is readily followed. In England, on the other hand, with its comparatively small territory, the origin and approach of storms is traced with much less readiness and their weather service has little value compared with our own.

But while we all read the indications it is a fact, as Sergeant Cole of the Boston signal station informs the *Bulletin*, that very few persons derive anything like the full benefit to be obtained from the daily predictions. This arises mainly from a lack of full understanding of the terms employed in the indications and from general ignorance of the commonest meteorological laws and movements peculiar to his country. The article is written with the purpose of giving our readers a more complete understanding of that all-important topic—the weather.

One of the commonest misunderstandings is the use of the terms clear and fair. This is easily explained, when it is known that the term "clear" signifies a sky that is cloudless, or is cloudy to not more than three-tenths of the horizon's extent. It is considered "fair" weather when from four to seven-tenths, inclusive, of the horizon is clouded. It will thus be seen that a clear day in winter is rare with us, in New England.

The terms rising and falling barometer, although improperly used, are well understood. They are gradually giving way to the proper terms of higher and lower pressure, as of course the changes are in the atmospheric pressure and not in the barometer.

A further point needing explanation is the regions of the country made by the weather bureau. They number eighteen. Of these, New England, Middle Atlantic, Ohio valley and Tennessee, upper lake and lower lake and their sub-divisions, are all that is commonly referred to in the New England bulletins. Their names are correctly indicative of the sections to which they refer. The sub-divisions of northern and southern New England are a little perplexing here in Boston because this locality is very near what may be considered the dividing line between the northern and southern sections and is liable to the weather predicted for either.

A few words as to the machinery of the weather bureau service will help to a better appreciation of the indications. At each of the 107 telegraphic stations from three to six observations are taken during the day at regular intervals. The results of three of these are at once telegraphed to the Washington main weather office and used in common with simultaneous reports from all other stations as the basis of the published indications. Results of the other three observations are sent on by mail and used for purposes of study.

The indications are issued twice a day—at 1 o'clock a. m., from observations of 11 p. m., and at 10 a. m., from observations of 7 a. m. The observation of 3 p. m. is sent on for the purpose of noting the progress of storms and is not directly the foundations of indications. From the Boston office printed bulletins are sent to post-offices that will receive them within 12 hours of their issue, numbering about 900, throughout New England, and they are eagerly read by the farmers. Then all the railroad offices telegraph the indications twice a day to the stations along the line. The Old Colony railroad, alone, sends to 150 stations. In this way the indications are sent broadcast.

A word about the storm signals, which are another branch of the service. They should not be interpreted to indicate rain or snow. They are properly wind signals, regardless of rain. The red flag with black centre when raised alone indicates the coming of high winds from any quarter. When the white flag with red centre is raised above the red flag the warning is of high winds from the west or north-west, called the "off-shore" signal. Blue flag stations, on the coast from Woods Holl to Portsmouth, are regulated from the Boston station.

It will perhaps be interesting to know that the "storm factory" of the country is located in the Missouri valley. Almost all of our storms sweep westward from that locality. Now and then a storm will sweep clear across the country from the Pacific. Rarely ever does a storm come from the Atlantic. In the fall of the year storms come from the West Indies, but as they strike this country near Georgia they sweep upon New England from the south-west. Our east winds serve to precipitate storms coming from the west, but they rarely ever bring storms with them.

Our cold waves hail from Manitoba, and are usually heralded three days in advance. They very likely originate in Alaska or Siberia, but this is conjecture, as there are no stations beyond Manitoba. One further general observation is worth remembering. New England is almost sure to have the same weather as the lake regions, from 24 to 36 hours later. Remembering this, one can make his own forecast with moderate certainty. About 88 per cent of the signal service indications are correct.—*Commercial Bulletin.*

LEAD PENCILS.

With the improved machinery now used, ten hands will make about four thousand lead pencils of the cheaper grade. The cedar comes chiefly from Florida, and it is received in slabs of pencil length, one for the lead to go in and the other to cover it, as may be seen by examining the end of any lead pencil. Four little grooves are sawed in the thicker slabs, for the leads, which are kept in hot glue and taken one by one and inserted in the grooves. Then the thin slab is glued to the leaded slab, and thus united, they are run through a moulding machine, four pencils coming from each slab. After the ends are rasped they are run between grooved wheels at considerable pressure for the only finish they get. This burnishes them and they are tied in dozens and boxed for sale, mostly in plain wood, and of three degrees of hardness. The graphite used comes in fine black powder, and is mixed with German white clay, about half and half, and then ground with moisture, forming a paste. This is pressed in dies into lengths of four leads, which are cut and then baked at a very high temperature. These sell at 85 cents, $1.50 and $2 per gross, and are very good articles, writing smoothly and evenly. The manufacturer makes about one hundred per cent. selling the pencils at eighty-five cents a gross, and the retailer makes a good thing selling them at one cent a piece. The graphite costs about twenty-five cents a pound, and clay little more than the freight. The more clay is used in the leads the harder they will be. The cedar is cut mostly from fallen trees in Florida swamps.—*The Stationer.*

THE WORK OF A SINGLE HAIR.

In the base of the Capitol at Washington is the enginery by which the House, the Senate and the committee rooms are warmed and ventilated, and the gas lighted by electricity. It is altogether a big apparatus, consisting of three immense fans, four engines and eight boilers, with the necessary appliances for regulating the temperature and moisture of the air supplied to the nation's legislators. The instrument which tells whether the air is too moist or too dry is operated by a single human hair. A perfectly dry air is put at 0; saturated air, that is air carrying all the moisture it will hold, is put at 100. A dial with a hand like that of a clock represents the different degrees from 0 to 100. The human hair absorbs moisture like a rope, and like a rope it becomes shorter when wet. The difference in length between a hair six inches long when wet and the same hair when dry, is made to represent the hundred degrees of moisture on the dial; and the hand or pointer moves backward or forward as the moisture in the air varies. If it becomes too dry more steam is thrown in; if too moist less steam is allowed to escape, and thus the atmosphere for the nation's statesmen is regulated and kept at the healthful point, which is about 50.

"My dear," said a Mormon wife to her husband, "I should think that you would be ashamed of yourself, flirting with that Miss B. as you did in church to-day."

"Flirting with her?" he replied in astonishment; "we have been engaged for more than three months. It's all over town."

"Oh, I beg your pardon," said his wife indifferently. "If you are engaged to her, I suppose it's all right. When does the happy event occur?"

Stable Keeper—"By the way, shall I put in an extra buffalo?" English Blood—"Couldn't you let me 'ave an 'orse, you know? Er—er—rather not drive a buffalo first time, you know."

"Mamma," said a little up-town boy, as he left his bed and crawled into hers the other night, "I can go to sleep in your bed, I know I can; but I've slept my bed all up."

"Are you sure you are converted?" said Mr. Spurgeon to a devout house-maid. "Please, sir, I think I am for I now sweep under the beds."

"Yes," said the landlord, pointing to his block of new houses, "they're all full 'cept the one at the end. That's last, but not leased."

"Hell to pay" is a station on the Northern Pacific Railroad in Montana. It was named by a man who was found there by his wife.

It is not until we have passed through the furnace that we are made to know how much dross was in our composition.

Be a man among men, with a purpose and strength to accomplish. Don't be afraid of resistance—the more the better.

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 9, 1884.

SENATOR HOAR has been chosen chairman of the Massachusetts delegation to the Republican national convention, W. W. Crapo vice president and John F. Andrew of Boston secretary.

BOSTON'S big Music Hall organ has been sold at last, though fortunately it is not to leave the city. The New England Conservatory of Music is the purchaser, and will take the organ down and store it until a new hall, with a seating capacity of 3000, can be built to receive it.

TARIFF reduction received its quietus for this session in the House at Washington, Tuesday, when the enacting clause of the Morrison bill was stricken out by the close vote of 159 to 154. The House makes a serious mistake in not granting some relief from the present high tariff. The government does not need the money, but the people do.

THE Marine National Bank of New York closed its doors on Tuesday, and Grant & Ward, a firm of brokers having close business relations with the bank, followed suit. The bank's failure is ascribed to the speculations of President Fish, who lays the blame upon Ward of the broker firm. The Grant of the firm is the General's son Ulysses, and the General will lose some $50,000 by the failure.

ESTIMATES of the way delegates to the Republican national convention will vote on the first ballot are numerous, and range all the way from 265 to 323 for Arthur, 311 to 361 for Blaine, 63 to 82 for Edmunds and 50 to 60 for Logan. It is evident that neither of the leading candidates will have a majority on that ballot, and equally certain that they will not get it on any subsequent one. Blaine killed off Grant in the last convention, and seems likely to do a similar service for Arthur in the next one, while some "dark horse" carries off the prize.

OUR Legislature is still pegging away, with no more symptoms of the session coming to an end than may be indicated by the fact that the Senate has begun forenoon sessions. A resolve is on its way through the House directing the attorney-general to institute legal proceedings in the supreme court against the Boston & Albany Railroad company to annul the stock dividend declared last fall. The House is also favorably considering a bill fining telegraph companies for putting wires on buildings without the consent of the owner, and has passed a bill providing for the taxation of the Spiritualists' buildings at Lake Pleasant. A strong effort will be made to repeal the anti-double taxation law. The members had much better let it alone, and go to their homes.

DR. JOHN ELLIS discusses, in a pamphlet recently published, the "Deterioration of the Puritan Stock, and its Causes," and gives official statistics showing that in the six years from 1876 to 1881 inclusive the deaths among native Americans in Massachusetts exceeded the births by 29,796; while among the foreign-born population the births were 87,824 in excess of the deaths. But the classification is not entirely reliable, and Dr. Ellis concludes that it is enough to say that the foreign-born inhabitants, numbering less than a fourth of the population of the state, give birth to more than one-half of the children. He believes that the cause of this decline of vitality may be found in tight dressing, luxury, indisposition to assume family cares, and impatience of the domestic life, among the women, and intemperance among the men; but the New York *Tribune* after a review of the question, concludes that "the main cause of the decline in the Puritan stock is really a change in the views of life held by woman, and it can only be presumed that the new views are more influential in that state than elsewhere in the Union. This alone can account for the fact that a similar decline is not observable in other states."

FIRES OF THE WEEK.

The past week has been noticeable for many large and disastrous fires in various parts of the country. A few days of warm weather made the dead leaves and underbrush as dry as tinder, and a spark from a passing locomotive, or a match which some careless fisher or sportsman had used to light his pipe would kindle a blaze which destroyed a vast amount of property before it could be checked.

The village of Gilman's Depot, Pa., a few miles from Port Jarvis, N. Y., was burned on Friday of last week, the citizens being obliged to fly for their lives, and losing everything they possessed, while the loss is over $100,000.

In Clearfield and Center counties over 3000 families have been made homeless.

On Long Island more than 1000 acres of valuable timber land has been burned over and destroyed, while at Flushing large salt meadows have been burned over.

A tract containing 1000 acres, near Freehold, N. J., has been devastated and the loss will be $50,000.

At Bushen, Pa., the loss is $1,000,000.

Great destruction has been caused in Cecil county, Md., by the reckless practice of some boys in setting fire to underbrush. A tract of timber eight miles in length and three in width has been destroyed.

The six-days' walking match at New York was finished last Saturday night, Fitzgerald the Long Island Irishman, coming off victorious, with a score of 610 miles, being followed by Rowell with 602 miles. Fitzgerald's score of 610 miles is the largest ever made. His share of the profits will be $10,000. Seven of the contestants come in for a share of the gate money, having covered 525 miles each.

At the launching of a new steam launch at Brooklyn, N. Y., on Saturday, 200 guests were badly frightened by the vessel tipping first to one side and then to the other, very nearly upsetting. They were finally taken off without any one being injured.

An analyzation of one of the cartridges found last week beneath the Parliament buildings at Toronto, showed that it was filled with duatin, a stronger explosive than dynamite.

THIS, THAT, AND THE OTHER.

A business man who wears twenty-five dollar boots may be said to be on a good footing.

In China, a lady's foot, which looks like a hoof, is called "a golden lily." Chicago and St. Louis, please take notice.

The refined person never uses the common expression, "words to that effect." He says: "Eloquence conveying a similar interpretation."

The young man whose girl told him that "the lips that touch liquor shall never touch mine," gets around that all right by taking his through a straw.

A Worcester man dropped dead last Sunday because another man had dunned him for an old bill. Never allow any one to dun you for a bill. No knowing when it may prove fatal.

An absent-minded justice of the peace who was filling out a marriage return, wrote "first offense" in the blank space indicating the number of times the groom had been married.

"It is my ambition to become a great singer," she said, after singing for the company. "Ah, but you are a grate singer now," replied an old man who had heard the remark, and she wondered what made them all langh.

He was brought into court for picking a congressman's pocket, and when asked by the judge what he had to say for himself, remarked: "You ought not to be hard on me, judge; it was only a congressional appropriation, you know."

A farmer near Pittsburg, Pa., claims to have discovered a way of solidifying whisky and making it into pocket plugs, like tobacco. We can imagine a man in a no license town going into a store and winking at the clerk as he calls for a plug of tobacco.

Little Johnny's mamma would not let him go the circus, and he finally burst out with: "I wish I was dead, I do." "Why, Johnny! What for?" asked his mother. "'Cause then I'd be an angel, and could look down and see all the shows for nothin'," was the reply.

Now doth the weary lab'ring man
Improve each leisure minute
By spading up his garden patch,
And puting fresh seeds in it.

Then comes along a neighbor's hens;
With all their might and main
They do their very level best
To scratch them up again.

NEWS MORSELS.

No more Chinese are to land in British Columbia.

A cremation society has been organized in Boston.

An epicurean dish in Florida is robins with mushrooms.

There are about 35,000 bicycle riders in the United States.

The milkmen and newsboys of London utilize the tricycle.

A Kentucky cat has adopted and is caring for a motherless chicken.

Mushroom picnics are a fashionable outdoor diversion in California.

The Canadian Pacific Railway is building sleeping cars for immigrants.

There is talk of a $100,000 gymnasium for the University of Pennsylvania.

Over 900 umbrellas were found in the room of a kleptomaniac in London.

Gardening is practically taught in more than 20,000 primary schools in France.

A Kentucky hunter took twelve coons and eighteen gallons of honey from one tree.

A circus out West advertises "the only coal-black elephant ever seen in captivity."

Samuel J. Tilden has paid $42,000 for a New York residence for one of his nieces.

The revised Old Testament will be completed in July and published next autumn.

Gen. Butler will deliver an address Memorial day at the Academy of Music, New York.

A judge at Rochester, N. Y., has decided that a son is not bound to support his father.

Germany, it is now stated, uses paper instead of wood in the manufacture of lead pencils.

A new and rising industry in Florida is the manufacture of perfume from orange flowers.

In Delaware they select for the sheriff the best fellow who has the greatest number of debts.

A "panper" who died in Schoharie county (N. Y.) almshouse left $6000 to one of his relatives.

About two million sheep are at present in Colorado. The clip will be about ten million pounds.

A thousand women attended a recent execution at Columbia, Ky., and one of them has since become crazy.

Men from 21 to 65 years of age may frequently be seen playing marbles in the streets of Angel's Camp, Cal.

The Methodist minister of Somerset, Pa., is an expert with the rifle, and recently broke sixty balls in succession.

At Island Shoals, Ga., the other day a young farmer named McDaniel plowed up a jug containing $9500 in $5 gold pieces.

A sign-board marked "Six miles to Montgomery," was found in the mountains after the tornado 250 miles from Montgomery, Ala.

A Georgia man compels his daughter to eat onions every night for supper, and at 10 p. m. that household is sleeping peacefully.

The Louisville police are ordered to allow no "Mother Hubbard" dresses on the street, chiefly because doubtful women have adopted them.

The Kentucky House of Representatives has passed a bill prohibiting bicyclists from using the public roads of most of the counties in that state.

W. Morrow, a prominent business man of Des Moines, Ia., had cayenne pepper thrown in his eyes a few days ago by two women who had received notes requesting them to stay away from the skating rink at that place. They thought Morrow wrote the letters, but it has been shown that the proprietor of the rink sent them.

A Norwich, Ct., woman, who dreamed that her daughter was dying the other night, got up and went to her bed, where she found her bleeding terribly where she had had a tooth pulled the day before, and very weak. The doctor said she could not have survived much longer if not discovered.

Dr. Horace Jacobs, one of the oldest and best known physicians of Springfield, died of heart disease at Salt Lake City on Saturday evening. He with his wife and daughter were on their way home from California, where they had been to spend the winter.

The Natick *Bulletin* showed enterprise and go-aheadativeness last week by publishing a large half-sheet supplement filled with an account of the trial of one of Natick's selectmen on a charge of tampering with the ballot box at the town meeting.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

Shad.

Oh, dear;

The bones.

Dandelions are in bloom.

The assessors are around.

The trees are beginning to blossom.

A probate court will be held in this place next Tuesday.

The meat markets now keep open until 9 o'clock evenings.

The court record for the first week of license is a big one.

The price of ice will be 30 cents per hundred this summer.

Five new members were received into the Baptist church last Sunday by letter.

Elder M. A. Potter of Worcester will preach at the Advent chapel next Sunday.

The ladies of the Congregational society netted about $115 at their May breakfast.

Dr. Rugg has decided not to leave town just at present, and has taken rooms in Cross's block.

G. L. Hitchcock has on exhibition in his store one of those stoves which uses oil and water for fuel.

The ladies of St. Paul's parish held a pleasant social at the church parlors Wednesday afternoon and evening.

Not a very large audience attended the presentation of the play East Lynne by the Seymour-Stratton company Tuesday evening.

The rain which came Tuesday and Wednesday was very acceptable, but some more of the same sort would be thankfully received.

A street lamp has been put up at the corner of the bank block nearest Main street. More of the same through the village would be a good scheme.

The house on School street belonging to the estate of the late Calvin Hitchcock was sold last Monday. E. J. Wood was the purchaser, and $3235 was the price paid.

The semi-annual meeting of the Hampden county conference of Congregational churches will be held with the Congregational church in this place next Wednesday.

Since last week the selectmen have granted three more licenses—Michael Cunningham and John Moynahan, fourth class, and a first class license to the Converse House.

The Congregational church is to organize a Sunday school at the wire mill next Sunday afternoon at 2.30. They have secured the use of the school house for their meetings.

A. L. Hills started for Illinois Wednesday noon, for an absence of ten days or so, in the hope of finding temporary relief from a somewhat troublesome heart affection.

The G. A. R. Post has secured Captain Lincoln of Brimfield to give the Memorial Day address. The post will attend St. Paul's church in a body on Sunday evening, the 25th.

Now that the new depot approaches completion, the citizens at the west end of the village wonder if they will be compelled to go around by the Weeks House in order to get a train.

The engine of the noon train from Amherst broke down at Barrett's Junction yesterday, and one had to be sent from this place to pull it and the train through. They arrived 35 minutes late.

Four men at the wire mill left their work last night and three more this morning, but their places were easily filled, and the work goes on as usual. The rumors of a strike are without foundation.

Main street was the scene of a little excitement last Saturday morning, when an indignant father gave a young lad a much deserved thrashing for a too free use of language to his daughter.

Hardening material has been put on that Main street sand waste between the bridge and Central street this week. A very proper caper, only it should have been put on in the first place, instead of the sand.

The stockholders of the Ware River railroad met at the Weeks House Wednesday noon, and reëlected last year's board of directors, choosing C. E. Stevens of Boston in place of the late Chester W. Chapin.

The Ladies' Social Union of St. Paul's church elected these officers Wednesday evening: President, Mrs. S. R. Lawrence; vice president, Mrs. F. R. Lawton; secretary, Miss Carrie Fox; treasurer, Miss Carrie Ellis.

Rev. Mr. Clark of Bondsville, will preach at the Methodist church at Four Corners next Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock. It is probable that the church will have for a regular supply after next Sunday, a young man from Watertown.

George Robinson has exchanged his Proulx block property at West Warren for the crockery store of E. J. Wood on Church street in this village. The exchange was made through the real estate agency of Geo. L. Rockwell, West Warren.

A German who could not speak a word of English, except "Spingfield," was put off the cars at this place last Saturday, having been carried by that city. After some time, one of our citizens who could talk with him was found, and he went back on the next train rejoicing.

Workman are busily engaged upon the park at the new depot, and from the plan of the ground it will be no doubt be an ornament to the town. The grounds will be egg-shaped, with the small end toward the depot, and will be laid out with walks, grass ground, a drive around it, etc.

The Baptist Sunday school last Sunday made choice of these officers for the ensuing year: Superintendent, F. L. Brooks; assistant, C. B. Fisk; secretary, Miss Eva Parkhurst; treasurer, Miss Lillian Edgerton; librarian, Mrs. P. M. Shearer. The school has received 25 new members during the past year.

The strong wind of Friday afternoon started a good portion of the sand near the bridge toward Three Rivers, and it was thought at one time that a rescuing party would have to be called upon to dig that village out. Fortunately (for Three Rivers) the wind went down and left (unfortunately for this village) some of the sand and dust on the street.

One young fellow who escorted a fair damsel home from church last Sunday evening was met at the gate by the paternal parent of the Miss. A go-as-you-please match was at once commenced, and continued up the N. L. N. railroad track until the depot was reached. The "old man" came out second best, but the young fellow doesn't state what his share of the gate receipts amounted to.

L. E. Chandler of the JOURNAL started for a run to Salem on his bicycle last Saturday morning, reaching that city the same evening. A mistake in the road lengthened the trip until the cyclometer registered 115 miles, which distance was covered in twelve hours' running time, the 75 miles beyond Worcester being made in seven hours. He intends to try it again in a few days, and means to make better time.

At the annual meeting of the Palmer Wire Company on Wednesday these officers were chosen: President, S. W. French; general manager, F. F. Bullard; treasurer; W. C. Dewey; directors, S. W. French, M. L. Chamberlain of Boston, F. F. Bullard, L. H. Goodnow of Fitchburg, W. C. Dewey; clerk, F. F. Bullard. The company is in a flourishing condition, is running day and night, and has unfinished orders to the amount of about 600 tons.

A new time table goes into effect on the B. & A. road next Sunday. The evening accommodation from the east will arrive at 6.07, instead of 5.57 as now. The modoc in the morning will get here at 6.56 instead of 7.06, and the noon accommodation is changed to 11.39. The new express train to Boston will leave here at 9.43 a. m., and reach here at 10.35 p. m. on its return trip, when it is an accommodation from Boston. On the Ware River road Conductor Sedgwick's train will arrive here 15 minutes earlier at night, getting in at 5.30.

A large company was present at the rink last Saturday evening and enjoyed a good time. To-morrow evening there is to be a grand masquerade and fancy dress party at the rink, and the indications point to a large attendance and a good time. Next Wednesday evening Miss Carrie Gilmore of Boston, is to give an exhibition of fancy skating. Miss Gilmore is the champion of New England, having been awarded the medal at Worcester last month, and will give the best exhibition of the season. Reserved seats in the gallery can be secured at Hitchcock's drug store.

At the probate court at Springfield last Tuesday, the will of Horace Clark, late of Wilbraham, Francis E. and Henry Clark, executors, was approved. Administration was granted on the estates of Samuel R. Moore of Wilbraham, S. S. Taft, administrator; Huldah Holmes, late of Wilbraham, C. E. Tupper, administrator; John Baldwin, late of Wilbraham, Joseph Baldwin administrator. An inventory was filed on the estate of Harriet Goodwill of Hampden, $135. Bridget Foley was appointed guardian of Katie M., Lizzie A., Lucy B. and Jennie C. Twiss of Palmer, minors.

The Palmer National Bank and the Palmer Savings Bank, which have occupied the same room in the bank block on Church street since the organization of the national bank, have for some time felt the need of more room, to accommodate their increasing business, and the savings bank managers have decided to take the store now occupied by E. J. Wood, for the use of the savings bank. The partition between the two rooms, back of the stairway leading to the court room, will be partially or wholly removed, throwing them into one commodious, airy room, and the present counter will be continued in similar style, though not to quite such an extent, in the new room. A new burglar proof vault is to be put in at the rear of the remodeled room, and in this will be placed a large safe, containing all the latest improvements for protection from burglars. When completed, the banks will have as pleasant and desirable quarters as falls to the lot of most country banks, with ample accommodation for themselves and their customers, and the best of security for their funds.

COURT NOTES.

Business at the district court has been lively this week, an unusual number of cases being disposed of.

On Monday William Mitchell of Lowell, was called upon for $5.83 for a too liberal indulgence in the ardent. He lacked the amount, and is now boarding at Springfield.

Tuesday morning Three Rivers furnished the first victim in the person of Levi Lonzo. He had imbibed too much bug juice, for which privilege he paid $7.44.

John Coffin came next, charged with assault and disturbing the peace. He admitted raising a rumpus, but said he had made no assault. The court thought that he had, however, and assessed him $15.04 therefor, and $9.44 for the fun he had out of the disturbance. Not imagining that the luxury would be so expensive, John could not meet the demand, and is now trying to earn the amount in the city.

Dana M. Carey of Three Rivers was requested to furnish $700 bonds for his appearance at the May term of the superior court to answer to a charge of adultery. Not being able to do so, he languisheth.

Levi Lonzo, on a charge of adultery, was dismissed.

Wednesday Patrick H. Sullivan of Ware, was before the court for a too great consumption of tangle-foot, and because $5.44 was lacking, his friends await his return from State street.

Yesterday A. H. Tanner paid $4.83 for indulging in an excessive quantity of the ardent.

This morning Geo. H. Lamb of Brimfield concluded that he had been in too close communication with the spirits, and paid $4.83 for his little seance.

Garret McCarty of Thorndike, returned from Connecticut yesterday, and finding the town had changed in regard to license since he left it, proceeded to sample the different kinds of fluid. The mixing did not agree with him, and he became intoxicated. This morning he went to work for the county in default of $5.73.

REGARDING OUR ROADS.

Mr. Editor:—A matter in which our town cannot take too much pride is the construction of the roads within its limits. From West Brimfield to Wilbraham is the poorest piece of road between Worcester and Springfield, and the greater portion of this lies within the limits of Palmer. Not only is the poor state of the highways noticed by those who have occasion to travel them frequently, but also by those who are visiting the place, and are taken for a drive over them. We have a village pleasantly located, and a large amount of attractive scenery within a short distance, but to get through the dust and heat of summer is more than the views are worth.

Nearly all of the towns around us attract more or less visitors from the cities for a summer vacation. Palmer, with its abundant railroad facilities, might and would be a greater attraction than many of these places, but for its roads. A man who goes from the city in hot weather does not like to go to a place where his horse has to drag the carriage through several inches of sand the moment he gets outside the village. The tramps which are lodged by the town are now compelled to saw wood to pay for their lodging, the janitor of the tramp room receiving the benefit of their labor, as the town has no work upon which to put them. The town has a right to their work. Now let them be provided with a stone heap and hammer after their night's lodging, and compel them to break stone. Then let our highway surveyors use this stone to macadamize our roads, beginning with the worst and softest ones, and continuing until all are treated in this way. Of course the material provided in this way would not be sufficient, and more would have to be purchased. This would necessitate larger appropriatons than are now made, and for a few years the expenses would be heavier than at present, but at the end of ten years the town would find itself money in pocket. A macadamized road is easily taken care of and repaired, and would do away with the semi-annual scraping of the dirt from the ditches to the center of the highway, only to make traveling heavy, and to be washed back again with a few rains.

Let those who have our roads in charge think of this matter, and adopt it, and in a few years we shall have roads which will give the town an enviable reputation far and near. * *

BRIMFIELD.

The First Congregational church has voted to call as their pastor Rev. Joseph Kyte of Haverhill. The parish will act upon the matter on Saturday.

WEST BRIMFIELD.

May baskets are beginning to bud.

Mrs. C. E. Dickinson of West Springfield, is visiting her sister, Mr. F. S. King.

Geo. W. Powers, P. Sharkey and Walter Shaw, started for Kansas last Monday. Wonder if the Indians will get any "valentines?"

GILBERTVILLE.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Gilbertville Union Hall association the following officers were chosen: Directors, W. H. Walsh, W. H. Buckley, F. Ward, R. Steveuson, A. B. Ward; president, A. B. Ward; vice president, W. F. Hyghland; clerk, Lewis Warner; treasurer, A. Richardson; auditor. W. P. Sutcliffe.

LUDLOW.

Cedar Swamp has received a long needed filling.

The bridge near F. P. Tilley's has been rebuilt. Geo. Nutting of Granby took the contract for $129.

There were four persons received into the Congregational church last Sunday on profession of their faith. Three of them received the rite of baptism.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

Mrs. S. E. Baker is on a visit to her home in Boston.

Mrs. A. S. Wall is visiting her children in Boston and vicinity.

The Ladies' society meet with Mrs. E. W. Wall next Wednesday afternoon and evening.

Next Tuesday night the Sons of Temperance will consider the question of adjournment to Sept. 1st.

WALES.

The Shaw mill is running again on full time.

Frank Butters of Vermont is here on a visit, and has brought along a lot of maple sugar, to sweeten up his old friends.

Orrin Moore has purchased Mrs. Valett's farm in Brimfield. His family go soon, but he will continue his meat market in this village.

Cowslips are plenty. One man went through the village Monday morning en route for Monson with 25 bushels. He said they were picked Saturday, but as far as we know he did not attend church Sunday.

The road commissioners have let out the repairing of the highways. N. M. Bradley is the first to be called on for inspection. O. Switzer and W. E. Needham are working the Dimmick hill road; great improvement is expected.

WEST WARREN.

E. J. Wood of Palmer has bought the Proulx block in this place.

Patrick O'Gorman was arrested on Monday for an assault upon Mrs. Lasch.

Mr. Bailey, framing chisel forger for A. W. Crossman & Son, has gone to his home near Winstead, Conn.

J. A. Bennett, of whom mention was made last week, died at his home on Tuesday. The funeral was held Thursday, Rev. Messrs. Adams and Nute officiating.

Butterworth Bros. of Warren will open a market in about two weeks in the room lately occupied by M. J. Kerigan. It will be an acquisition that will be appreciated by the village.

Another surprise party was given last Saturday evening, to four of our well-known rum-sellers, and quite a quantity of beer and other stuff was captured. It is reported, however, that there are a number of other places that need it just as bad. Hit 'em again.

BONDSVILLE.

LaRose and Piche have sold their meat and grain business to Freeman Cleveland, and will remove to Spencer soon after the 15th inst.

The meetings of the Sons of Temperance are well attended, and some good literary work is being done. "An evening with Longfellow," was the programme for last Monday night, to which nearly all present responded. The lawyers are busily collecting evidence for the mock trial which comes off May 19, and a lively time is expected.

The Bondsville dye works are about to build an addition, to be used as a bleachery, 120 by 60 feet and two stories high. The contemplated building will extend from the east wing of the present building over the canal and to the main street. The building now used as an office for the Boston Duck Co., and store of O. A. Parent will be moved farther up the street, and wholly given up to a store. A new office will be built for the Co.

WILBRAHAM.

Sarah A. Crosby has been granted an absolute divorce from James H. Crosby.

The Wesleyans beat the agricultural nine at Amherst, last Saturday, 31 to 10.

Mrs. A. M. Hall, registrar of the academy, is away on a vacation.

Agnes S. Brooks has been granted a divorce from Edmund Brooks for desertion.

The vacancy on the school committee caused by the resignation of Henry Cutler has been filled by the erection of Jason Butler.

The grounds around the school house in district No. 4 have been improved by the setting out of shade trees, repairing the lawn, etc.

James S. Brannon has resigned his position as foreman with Cutler & Co., where he has been for ten years, and will go to stock farming at Russell.

The Memorial church Sunday school has chosen these officers: Superintendent, Mrs. Dr. Steele; assistant superintendent, Mrs. L. J. Mansfield; treasurer, James Stevens; librarian, B. F. Squiers; secretary, Emma Brewer; chorister, Mrs. Henry Frost.

WARREN.

The recent sale of pews at the Congregational church realized over $2000.

Mrs. G. A. Shumway, Mrs. D. G. Hitchcock and Miss Ellen Cutler comprise the flower committee at the Congregational church for this year.

The proposed schedule of time on the B. & A. road does not bring joy to the hearts of our citizens, as it will deprive them of the modoc and give them no good substitute.

The Warren Hotel has another new landlord, E. T. Maxwell of Spencer, who has bought the furniture. Mr. Sturtevant has purchased the livery stable connected with the hotel, of C. E. Shepard.

Rev. Mr. Forbes was visited on Saturday evening by about 125 of his congregation, who presented him with a fine basket of flowers containing a gold center of $225. Sunday was the sixth anniversary of his settlement.

Frank Carley, a native of this place, was run over by the cars and instantly killed, at Brookfield Monday. The funeral took place Wednesday afternoon from his father's residence, the fire company, of which he was a member, attending in a body. His friends in the pump shop where he formerly worked, sent many flowers.

THORNDIKE.

Editor Journal:—The new administration of the Thorndike Co. results in a better accommodation to the farmers in the north part of the town. The fitting up of the saw mill and grist mill on Potoquatoc Pond has been a matter of much anxiety for the year past. William Whiting, from Chicago, a former resident of this town, has returned of late, leased the mills for five years, and put in a nice run of French burr stone, and is now furnishing the citizens with a nice article of meal. There is a good house and barn connected with the mills. Query: Is Willie calculating to take a partner? This mill privilege, together with one hundred acres of land, was given to Stewart Southgate in 1732, on condition that he should build a saw mill to accommodate the inhabitants, and after the building of this mill, the proprietors gave him another one hundred acres to put in a grist mill. This last tract of land is now owned by the Whipple heirs. Thirty-three acres were taken from Humphry Gardner's lot on the west side of the river, and sixty-seven acres from Mr. Olds' lot on the east side. What is the future destiny of the north part of the town? It is far less difficult to consult the records and learn the associations of the past generations, than to predict the future for the next hundred and fifty-two years. A FARMER.

THREE RIVERS.

Geo. W. Coleman, the mason, removed Tuesday to Springfield.

N. K. Rogers is laying the foundation for a new house on the Palmer road.

John Clough has been seriously ill for several days with pneumonia. He is now improving.

Rev. C. L. Ayer of Rocky Hill, Conn., will preach at the Union church next Sunday. There will be a communion service in the afternoon.

The Sons of Temperance will commence the reading of the thrilling temperance story, "The Drunkard's Daughter," at their regular meeting next Monday evening.

The May supper and entertainment given by the ladies of the Good Cheer division last Friday evening, was a complete success. One of the special features of the entertainment was the "Art Gallery," which caused great merriment. The affair netted the division about $15.

Citizens of Three Rivers, license men at that, say that they have not seen so much drunkenness in the streets of our village for a long time before, as in the few days since the first of May. Verily:

"Hell once more hath ope'd his horrid jaws,
And from the cruel depths of his fell throat,
Perdition dark and dire forthcometh."

One of the Company's horses took fright at a sack of cotton rolling off a load upon him at the dye house, Monday, and ran, dashing the wagon against the rear tower of the mill and clearing himself. The yard gates being closed, he was secured without damage. Arthur Maguire, a dye house man, jumped from the load, severely spraining an ankle.

A man considerably under the influence of license juice called at the boarding house Monday evening, and following the direction of "the spirit within him," soon grew violent, assaulting Geo. Gorham, and performing other "personal liberty" antics. He was arrested after a desperate struggle, and the next day secured a sixty days' engagement with the county.

MONSON.

The assessors are making their annual visits to the tax payers.

Norcross Bros. call attention in another column to a large and varied stock of goods.

J. L. Shaw & Co. have the contract for making the uniforms for the Grand Army post.

Frank Bradway has the stakes stuck for a dwelling house on Maple street next southerly of W. A. Needham.

Rev. Charles Van Norden, of the North church, Springfield, will preach in the Congregational church, morning and evening, in exchange with the pastor.

J. M. A. Squier of district No. 12, is the first of the road agents to finish up the repairs in his district, and has greatly improved all the roads in that locality.

She called in to see if the storekeeper had in his boot and shoe department any "No. 5 scandals," and the clerk said he didn't think they were all gone yet.

Business at the new town house which has been quiet for a few days past, is again started up, the car loads of lumber which were lost having been found, and the carpenters are busy on the first floor.

Mrs. Dollie Chaffee, the 1812 pensioner who broke her limb a few months ago, is under the care of Dr. Fuller nearly fully recovered, and although 88 years of age, bids fair to again get around as formerly.

Last Monday evening about forty of the friends of Rev. Mr. Hammatt gathered at the parlors at Green's Hotel, and presented him with an elegant reclining and easy chair. The affair was a complete surprise.

A large congregation at Central Hall last Sabbath evening, composed of members of the Stafford and Palmer Universalist churches, and the Monson church, witnessed the formation of the new church in Monson. Forty were received by profession, and five by letter. Rev. Mr. Perry of Palmer, delivered a very able address, and was listened to with that deep attention which testified to appreciation of the subject matter. Rev. Mr. Hammatt gave the right hand of fellowship, and Rev. Mr. Maxen in fitly chosen words spoke of the occasion and its prospects. It was the anniversary of the pastor, and he enters upon his second year with zeal in his labors which have accomplished so much for good in the past. The singing by the quartette was very appropriate, and the new church starts off with good prospects for membership, and as is hoped, a power for great good in the community.

WARE AND VICINITY.

The ball game between the Clippers and Three Rivers, last Saturday, was in favor of the latter, 18 to 12.

Thomas Haley of the Clipper base ball club went on Thursday to play as catcher with the Holyoke professionals in a game against the Springfield professional club. It is thought that this may result in an engagement for the season.

By law no one who has been drunk within six months can have any more liquor from any licensed dealer. The selectmen will post the names of all convicted of drunkenness in the district court, in all the places of business of those licensed to sell. There were three posted last week.

CARD.—We would hereby thank most kindly the friends who by their many acts of kindness assisted us in our recent affliction.

MRS. D. O. TAPLIN AND FAMILY.

A WORD FROM MICHIGAN.

Correspondence of the JOURNAL.

A Michigan subscriber writes, in renewing her subscription, that she "cannot afford to do without the JOURNAL," and gives the following sketch of one of the thriving towns in that section:

Ontonagon lies on both sides of the Ontonagon river, at its mouth. The harbor is very good, although the sand drifts in and obstructs the channel so that the dredge has to keep at work a great share of the time. This is a port for the copper mines, thousands of tons being shipped from here every summer. The Diamond Watch Co. have two large mills here, and control the business of the town. The place has about 800 inhabitants, composed of Swedes, French, Hollanders, Canadians, half-breeds and a few pure Indians, mostly women, one of whom is 105 years old. She with her children and grand children are at present five miles from the village in the woods, making maple sugar. They come to town every Saturday and bring very nice sugar wax, done up in birch bark. They catch the sap in pails made of birch bark, calling them "costels."

Ontonagon has three churches—Presbyteriau, Catholic and Episcopalian, six hotels, sixteen saloons, two papers, six stores, two drug stores and a large union school. The climate is colder than at your place; about the same as the northern part of Mass. The past winter has been very cold, with some, but not much, snow. We have had no snow storm since February 1st. The weather through March and April has been warm and pleasant; we had but six hours' storm, that rain, during March. This is no place for farming; the seasons are too short, and but very little fruit is raised; no peaches or pears, but a few apples and cherries. Ontonagon county is the richest one in the state, with mines of copper and iron.

An old man 70 years of age, living on the outskirts of West Bridgewater, was awakened on Saturday night by some one in his room. He shouted for help, whereupon the fellow drew a revolver and fired five shots at him, four of them taking effect in his head. The thief then pounded him on the head with a club, after which he took what money he could find and left. Two men, one formerly employed by him, have been arrested, and one has made confession. The victim's injuries are serious, and may prove fatal.

The negro, Ingalls, who murdered the Taylor family at Cincinnati in order to sell their bodies to the medical college at $15 apiece, has relieved the courts of any further consideration of his case by hanging himself in jail.

A Pennsylvania man got "left" $40 worth in a horse trade a few days ago, and grew so despondent over the recollection of it that he hung himself in his barn.

A colored man named Alonzo Anderson, living near Hartford, Ct., killed his little five-years-old girl with an ax last week while crazy with drink.

Martin Randall, a 60-years-old inmate of the Stoughton almshouse, committed suicide Saturday night by cutting his throat with a chisel.

May Magazines.

Harper's for May greets one with a note of springtime in the quaint love story by Mr. Pyle, "A May-Day Idyl of the Olden Time," which is well illustrated by the author, one of the pictures—"Among the Daffodils"—being selected for the frontispiece of the number. The second of the series of "Great Pictures" engraved by W. B. Closson, is a full-page engraving from the original painting by Titian, known as "The Belle." Kalrwan, the Holy City of Tunis, is exposed to the view of Christian readers for the first time by A. F. Jacassy's illustrated article. The biographical sketch of Kaiser Wilhelm by Dr. Moritz Busch is important because explaining the Emperor's position in his long conflict with the Prussian diet. Some of the illustrated articles are Ernest Ingersoll's second paper on Washington Territory, W. H. Ridering's paper on the Bank of England and "The Era of Good Fishing," in which Col. Higginson treats of Monroe's administration. A timely paper regarding dangers on sea and land from defective vision is by Dr. B. A. Jeffries. William Black's new novel, "Judith Shakespeare," grows in charm and interest with every installment. This number contains the sixth part of E. P. Roe's novel, "Nature's Serial Story"—redolent of apple-blossoms and the sugar-bush, and ringing with the voices of spring. The illustrations are pictures of unrivalled beauty. Brander Matthews contributes a brilliant short story entitled "The Rival Ghosts." George William Curtis makes the Easy Chair as charming as ever, and a like exquisite grace seems to characterize the Drawer, now conducted by Charles Dudley Warner.

Portraits of famous soldiers have been a feature of recent numbers of the *Century*, and the frontispiece of the May number (beginning a new volume) is a portrait of a famous warrior, "Chief Joseph, the Nez Pierce," whose character and valor are picturesquely described by Lieut. C. E. S. Wood. The first installment of Henry James's new three-part story, "Lady Barbarina," indicates that the novelist has undertaken to describe a new phase of international society. The short story of the number is "Rose Madder," an illustrated romance of artist life. Mr. Cable contributes the seventh part of "Dr. Sevier," and Robert Grant's story of "An Average Man" approaches conclusion. Julian Hawthorne's description of "The Salem of Hawthorne" contains much new and valuable biographical analysis. The continuation of Mr. Benjamin's narrative of the cruise of the Alice May deals with the west of Newfoundland—"The Bay of Islands, in calm and storm." A careful series of papers by Mrs. Schuyler van Renselaer on "Recent Architecture in America," has long been in preparation, and opens in the May number with a consideration of the merits of many new public buildings. In timely essays the May number is rich. Thomas Hughes writes of "Trades-unionism," in England; Mrs. Helen Jackson (H. H.) makes a clear statement of the religious convictions and consolations of the Mormon women in an article entitled "The Women of the Bee-Hive;" and Frank R. Stockton satirizes the growing tyranny of children in a short essay "On the Training of Parents." "Topics of the Time" contains editorials on "Military Morality," "Wanted, A Party of Progress," &c. Among the "Open Letters," are articles on education, prohibition, and tenement-house reform; a biographical sketch of the late Wm. M. Baker, and reviews of "The Bread-winners" and other new novels. The poetry is contributed by Austin Hobson, Rose Hawthorne Lathrop, and others.

The *North American Review* for May has an article by Justice William Strong upon the defects in our naturalization laws, which must be of interest to every citizen who realizes the amount of immigration setting toward our shores. In the same number Edwin P. Whipple offers a candid judgment of Matthew Arnold, as a thinker and man of letters. Richard A. Proctor, under the title of "A Zone of Worlds," writes of the vast multitude of the pigmy kindred of the earth, known as the asteroids. In "The Railway and the State," Gerrit L. Lansing essays to prove that the multiplication and extension of railroad lines, and the establishment of low rates of transportation, are hindered rather than helped by governmental interference. Prof. Henry F. Osborne of Princeton College has a highly interesting article on "Illusions of Memory." Helen Kendrick Johnson contributes an essay on "The Meaning of Song." Finally, there is a joint discussion of "Workmen's Grievances," by William Goodwin Moody and Professor J. Laurence Laughlin of Harvard University.

The May number of the *Cottage Hearth* contains a fine poem by Hezekiah Butterworth, author of the Zigzag books; a completed story of thrilling interest by Mrs. M. T. W. Curwen, entitled "The Mad Doctor's Prophecy;" an illustrated article on the old town of Chester, England; "One Spring," by W. H. Stone, with beautiful illustrations; "Gleanings from a Railway Trip," a practical, earnest talk about work for young girls, by Mary Scott Boyd; and the song "How sweet is it when years have fled." There is also an illustrated Young Folks Department, with puzzles, &c.; Fancy Work page for the ladies, and many attractions which commend it to all. Price $1.50 a year. The Cottage Hearth Co., Boston.

Morgan and Woodside, the two professional bicyclists, started from New York on May 1st to wheel to San Francisco. They expect to make the trip in 70 days, and are backed by two Chicago men.

The storm of last Friday night did about $100,000 worth of damage at Burlington, Vt., injuring some two miles of piers at the north end of the harbor, and sweeping away 700 feet of the breakwater.

Lace curtains, lambrequins and window shades ready to put up are furnished at short notice at low prices at Paine's manufactory, 48 Canal St., Boston.

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At Bondsville, 28th ult., MICHAEL SHEY and MARY BEATY.
At New York, 29th ult., by Rev. J. Angetell, FRANKLIN DAVIS of Palmer and Mrs. E. C. HOWE of Mandarin, Florida.

DIED.

At New York, 8th, JOHN H. BLANCHARD, formerly of Palmer.
☞Funeral services at the Congregational church in this place to-morrow at 3 p. m.
At Ware, 4th, CLARA L., 35, wife of Elbridge Dunbar.
At Brimfield, 8th, Mrs. RUTH B. SHERMAN, 87, widow of Benjamin Sherman.
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Mrs. Norton: "Yes, we are happy, and I hope you may soon have as snug a little home of your own."

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On floor,
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Crowd laughs
Like thunder,
Young man
Fell in under.

Big time,
Sides ache,
Young man
Flat as cake.

—*Whitehall Times.*

HOW THE LEAK WAS MENDED.

"Uncle Timothy!"

Uncle Timothy looked up from the shoe whose sole he was vigorously hammering.

"Why, bless you, John, if I'm not glad to see you, man alive!" exclaimed Uncle Timothy, jumping up so suddenly that his last went one way, taking the shoe with it, his hammer went another, while his spectacles fell into the water-pail close by.

There stood Uncle Timothy, grasping the arm of his favorite nephew, John, as if he were a pump-handle, and the day being hot and Uncle Timothy being dry, the pump-handle was worked with emphasis.

"Set down, John, and tell us how the folks are, said Uncle Timothy. "You have come to make me a visit, and have time enough to tell me all I want to know."

John was telling about "the folks when Uncle Timothy said:

"What's that? Thunder, I do believe, rollin' down old Bear Mountain! We shall catch a rain now. There it is comin' down the mountain."

Come it did, furiously. Soon the water began to drip down from the ceiling.

"Uncle Timothy, your roof is leaking."

"I know it, John; I know it. I will just put this pail under that 'ere."

"Why don't you have the roof mended?"

"Well, John, carpenters, you know, do charge so. La! John, they'd make a forenoon's work of it stoppin' up that 'ere hole, and I don't seem to have the extra chink. Fact is, John, it costs suthin' to live in this world, and it keeps a fellow poundin' all the time."

Here Uncle Timothy took up his work and began to ring out a series of responses to the thunder rolling at nine-pins overhead. In the course of his visit John noticed that every forenoon Uncle Timothy would leave his shop, step across the yard to his house, bring out an immense yellow mug, and passing to a saloon in the neighborhood, bring home a mug full of beer.

"Ah!" thought John. "I see how it is that the roof is not mended."

The next day a surly, growling wind brought rain that began to pour early in the morning.

"Uncle Timothy," said John, after breakfast, "could I borrow that mug I see in the closet?"

"Oh, sartin, sartin!"

Uncle Timothy was not going to his shop very early that day, and John knew it, business at another part of the town calling him away. When he returned it was about 11 o'clock, and his beer-gnawing visited him.

"Where is my mug?" said Uncle Timothy, going to the closet. Oh! John has it. Well, I guess I'll let my beer go this forenoon."

The rain was still dripping when he passed from his house to the shop. John was standing in the door.

"A wet day, nephew," said Uncle Timothy, "and there is not much hope given by the clouds."

Here he looked up, and there on the shop roof, covering the leak, he saw his old yellow beer mug! For a minute Uncle Timothy gazed in silence. Then he broke out:

"Thank ye, John; I'll take the hint."

It was the last day Uncle Timothy owned a beer mug. It was the last day that roof leaked, for it was soon mended with the beer money he saved.—*Christian at Work.*

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"Now, Marse Trav, you must 'cuse Joe," said his mother in her most conciliating tones—"you really must 'cuse Joe *dis* mornin'—Joe dead."—*Editor's Drawer, in Harper's Magazine for May.*

"Do you know the Jacksons?" asked a lady of a young man who lived in their neighborhood. "No, I'm not personally acquainted with all the members of the family," he replied; "but I always speak to the dog at the front gate as I go past."

"You can lead a horse to the water, but you can't make him drink," says the old saw. You couldn't make some men drink, either, if you took them to a hydrant. —*Hawkeye.*

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And saw a poor woman, the picture of gloom,
She glared at the mud on the doorstep ('twas raining),
And this was her wail as she wielded the broom:

"Oh! life is a toil and love is a trouble,
And beauty will fade and riches will flee,
And pleasures they dwindle and prices they double
And nothing is what I could wish it to be.

"There's too much of worriment goes to a bonnet,
There's too much of ironing goes to a shirt;
There's nothing that pays for the time wasted on it;
There's nothing that lasts but trouble and dirt.

"In March it is mud; it's slush in December,
And midsummer's breezes are laden with dust;
In fall the leaves litter; in muggy September
The wall-paper rots and the flat-irons rust.

"There are worms in the cherries, and slugs in the roses,
And ants in the sugar, and mice in the pies;
The rubbish or spiders, no mortal supposes,
And ravaging roaches and damaging flies.

"It's sweeping at six and dusting at seven,
It's victuals at eight and dishes at nine,
It's potting and panning from ten to eleven,
We scarce break our fast when we plan how to dine.

"With grease and with litter, from outside to center,
Forever at war and forever alert,
No rest for a day lest the enemy enter,
I spend my whole time in a struggle with dirt.

"Last night in my dreams, I was stationed forever
On a bare little isle in the midst of the sea,
My one chance of life was a ceaseless endeavor
To sweep off the waves, ere they swept over me.

Alas! 'twas no dream—again I behold it,
I yield, I am helpless my fate to avert;"
She rolled down her sleeves, her apron she folded,
Then laid down and died and was buried in dirt.

MRS. BAKER'S RELIGION.

"Mrs. Baker, ma wants to know if you can't come and sit up with granny to-night. She's worse, and ma'n Tilly's 'bout worn ont."

Mrs. Baker was frying crullers on the kitchen stove when little Tom Marsh came in to deliver his message. She had been at work all day, and was tired, warm and considerably out of temper. She was certainly in anything but a mood to confer favors.

"No, I can't," she snapped, turning upon little Tom a face scarlet from the glow of the hot fire. "Your mother ought to know better'n to send for me. I told her only yesterday that I was up to my eyes in work, and that I expected company to-morrow. She'll have to find some one else. Goodness knows, I put myself out enough for folks without being called on to be a sick-nurse," and she resumed her frying, while Tom ran home to report his non-success.

"Mother," said Madge, coming into the kitchen just as Mrs. Baker, having finished the frying of the crullers, was removing the kettle of lard from the stove. "I've fixed the spare room up beautifully. I know you'll be pleased with it. And to-morrow I'll fill the mantel-vases with flowers just before Mr. and Mrs. Spear come. And mother," very timidly, "would you be willing for me to ask the Shakespeare club to meet here next Tuesday evening? They have never met here, and I've been a member over a year."

"You must be out of your senses," said Mrs. Baker, crossly. "Do you suppose I'd let two dozen people come trapesing over my parlor carpet, and breaking, tearing and burning everything? I'm not so foolish."

"You speak as though they were so many wild animals, mother," said Madge, in a tone of some resentment.

"They act like wild animals," said Mrs. Baker. "I'd like to know if they didn't burn up one of Mrs. Clarke's lace curtains?"

"That was an accident," said Madge, "and not likely to occur a second time. Mary Lewis pushed a gas jet to one side so as to see the glass better, and didn't notice that she pushed it right into the curtain. Mrs. Clarke didn't blame her at all."

"She can afford to have her curtains burned up, perhaps. I can't. Don't argue the subject, Madge. When I say 'no' I mean it, as you ought to have learned by this time."

"I have learned that, and a good many other things, too, mother. I know I often wish I was back at boarding-school."

"It's like you to say that! It shows your ingratitude."

"I don't mean to be ungreatful; but I know you don't make things very pleasant for me at home. Susie Clarke could have the club at her house every night in the week if she wanted to."

"There, that's enough! Go up stairs until you can learn to control your temper," said Mrs. Baker, going into the pantry; and Madge went out closing the door behind her with a good deal of unnecessary noise.

"You look tired, Sarah," said John Baker, coming in as his wife was putting supper on the table.

"I've good cause to be so," was the response. "I've worked like a galley slave ever since sunrise."

"Where's Madge been?"

"Oh, I never depend on Madge. And I might work my fingers to the bone without its affecting her in the least."

"You do the child injustice, Sarah. She's always willing to help, as far as I see."

"You never see very far."

"Perhaps not. By-the-way," with a very natural wish to change the subject, "Hiram Long shot old Miss Starr's cow today. You know he said he would if it ever broke into his corn-patch again. The old lady's 'bout wild over it."

"Serves her right!" said Mrs. Baker, curtly.

"That ain't Christian-like, Sarah."

"He gave her warnings enough," said Mrs. Baker, "and she knew he was the sort of a man to keep a promise of that kind. Why didn't she keep the cow tied up?"

"She said the creature would break loose no matter how she tied her. And it does seem a hard case. The cow was the old lady's only support. I was thinking, Sarah, if we couldn't do something for her? You being on the relief committee, you know, could easily—"

"John Baker, do you suppose—do you actually suppose I'm going to lift one finger to help that old woman who insulted me ten years ago? It would look well for me to be rushing to her aid now."

"I think help would look better coming from you than from any one else, Sarah. She'd know you'd forgiven the past, and that your religion meant something."

"When she comes to me and asks my pardon for what she did ten years ago, I'll think about helping her," said Mrs. Baker, coldly, ill-pleased at her husband's criticism, "I do my duty as far as I see it, and I flatter myself I'm as good as the general run o' folks."

The entrance of Madge prevented further conversation on the subject, and with a heavy sigh John Baker took his seat at the supper-table. He noticed that his daughter's eyes were very red, but did not question her about them, for he suspected the cause of their condition. But he was more than usually kind in his manner to her, and on rising from the table slipped a silver dollar in her hand, whispering: "Buy yourself some little trinket, darling."

The unexpected gift, coupled with the tender words, proved too much for Madge in the over-strained condition of her nerves. Throwing her arms about her father's neck, she laid her head on his breast and burst into a tempest of sobs and tears. And the eyes of the father were dim as he tried to soothe her.

"This is perfectly ridiculous," said Mrs. Baker, exasperated at the scene. "One would think the girl was seven years old instead of seventeen. Leave the room Madge, and don't come back again until you can behave yourself."

"You're too hard on the child, Sarah," said John Baker, as Madge went out, sobbing wildly. "She's all we've got, and we'd ought to make her home happy."

"And do you pretend to say that I make it unhappy?" demanded Mrs. Baker. "You just spoil her out of all reason. She don't know really what she does want, and so she makes mountains out o'mole-hills. If she had to drudge as Lucy Cole does she'd have room for complaint. I wish you wouldn't put notions into her head. I have work enough to manage her without your setting her up to think herself abused."

John Baker said no more. He knew by long experience that further argument would be useless. Sarah called herself a Christian, and was one of the most active members of the Calvary church: every Thursday evening her voice was heard in prayer-meeting, and she held prominent positions on various committees appointed by the elders. She was always ready to join in plans to pay the church debt; she was the chief worker in every fair and sociable; her contributions to the poor box and to the foreign missions were always large, and the minister depended greatly upon her help in every scheme in which practical energy was required. But her religion seemed to drop from her heart like a cloak from her shoulders when she entered her own home. She did not appear to think it necessary to exercise it there at all. The gentle reproofs of her good-natured husband and the rebellion of her pretty daughter only irritated her without bringing her to see where she erred. She was very angry now, and began to clear the table with unusual energy. But as John took his hat and went out on some errand at the village postoffice, and she was left alone, she grew calmer, and by the time the dishes were all washed and put away, her irritation was almost forgotten.

"I guess I'll run over and see Mrs. Marsh a minute," she said to herself, as she took off her big gingham apron and hung it up. "Like as not that Tom told her all I said. He's one to enjoy making a fuss, and I don't want any hard feelings. So I'll just step over myself and tell her why I can't sit up with her mother."

Mrs. Marsh and Mrs. Baker were very near neighbors, and had always been very intimate. They were accustomed to running into the houses of each other at any hour without the ceremony of a ring or a knock, and so Mrs. Baker went around to the back of the house when she reached Mrs. Marsh's, and, finding the kitchen door open, stepped in at once.

As she did so she heard the sound of voices in the adjoining room, the door of which was ajar.

She had advanced half-way across the kitchen, intending to make her presence known, when the sound of her own name spoken by a voice which she recognized as belonging to Mrs. Long, another neighbor, made her pause.

"Mrs. Baker's religion ain't the kind that stands soap and water," this woman was saying. "It hasn't made a spark o' difference in her. She's as stiff-necked as ever. She may be good at rushin' round to society meetin's, but as for makin' personal sacrifices, it ain't in her."

Mrs. Baker heard, and trembled with indignation, but worse was to come.

"She certainly does'nt carry her religion with her into her daily life," said the voice of Mrs. Marsh, "and that's the only true kind of religion, I think. She keeps hers for show, not for use. I'm intimate enough at her house to know that."

"She bottles it up and takes the cork out only on Sundays and at prayer meetings," and Mrs. Baker recognized Tilly Marsh's high treble. "Its a convenient kind of religion, you see. But it don't impose on any one but herself,"

"When a person makes professions, they'd oughter stand by them every day in the year," said Mrs. Long. "Mrs. Baker preaches a sight, but she don't practice with anything."

For a moment Mrs. Baker was tempted to rush into the next room and frankly tell her neighbors "what she thought of them;" but angry as she was, an instant's deliberation convinced her that such a course would be highly injudicious, and might lead to a scandal which would afford the village gossip for months to come. So, without giving any intimation of her presence, she hurriedly left the house.

"So this is how my neighbors talk of me behind my back!" she murmured, as she reached her own kitchen again, and threw off her hat and shawl. "This is how I am treated because I would not sit up all night with a querulous old woman."

She was very, very angry; but gradually she grew calm, and began to think over quietly all she had heard. The longer she thought, the more reasonable seemed the charges which had been brought against her. Had she brought her religion into her daily life? Was it not true that it was kept more for show than for wear? Bottled up, as Tilly had said, and the cork taken out only on Sundays in prayer meeting. Had her religion made her more lenient to the faults of her daughter? Had it caused her to be more gentle and kind to her husband? Had it caused her to forgive old Miss Starr an offense of ten years' standing?

Poor Mrs. Baker! the truth brought home to her thus roughly from other lips did more toward opening her eyes to her own past conduct than any advice or council, however kindly meant, could have done.

When John came in at 10 o'clock he was surprised to find his wife in tears. Such a sight was extremely novel to say the least, and he was very much distressed by it. But he was not given any key to the mystery. Sarah took up her candle and went to bed without a word.

Madge thought her mother strangely silent and subdued the next morning, and watched her with some anxiety.

"I'm afraid mother's going to be sick," she said to her father, following him out into the yard when he went to the pump for a pail of water.

"She does act sorter queer," admitted John. "We must jest be gentle with her, and not answer her back when she gets riled."

As Madge came back into the kitchen again her mother looked up from the pan of milk she was skimming.

"You can have your club meet here on Tuesday if you choose, Madge," she said "I've thought better of what I said yesterday."

"Oh, mother, how good of you!" cried Madge, running to kiss her—a caress which Mrs. Baker received very kindly. "We shall be ever so careful of the carpet and curtains. And I want to tell you, mother, that I am so sorry I made such a fuss last night. It was ridiculous, as you said, and I'm ashamed of myself. And I beg your pardon for speaking to you as I did, too."

"We'll both forget all about it," said Mrs. Baker; "and now"—as John came in with the water—"I want to hold a consultation about Miss Starr. It is only right that we should do what we can to help her. What do you say, to a subscription to buy her another cow, John? I should think we could raise enough to buy her a milker quite as good as old Queen."

"Just the thing!" exclaimed John. You have such a clear head, Sarah! I'll put my name down for three dollars."

"And I'll carry the subscription paper around," said Madge. "I'm a first-class beggar, you know!"

The news that Mrs. Baker had undertaken to restore to Miss Starr her means of livelihood, flew about the village like wildfire, and a handsome sum was soon raised for the old lady, whose gratitude to her former enemy was very touching. She could not say enough in Mrs. Baker's praise.

The first step is always the hardest. Mrs. Baker found it not at all difficult to keep on in the new path into which she had stepped. There were, very naturally, times when she forgot her new resolutions; but the thought of Miss Tilly's remark about her religion was always sufficient to give her strength to begin again.

"How good of you, Mrs. Baker, to take up the cause of that poor Miss Starr!" said Tilly Marsh, one day, when she met her neighbor in the village street.

"It's only my duty," said Mrs. Baker. "I was the only person to see to her, you know, since I am on the relief committee."

When Miss Tilley went home she said to her mother that she felt sure they had done Mrs. Baker injustice in thinking her vainglorious and selfish.

"Perhaps we did," said Mrs. Marsh. "I don't understand her lately. She isn't at all as she used to be. Something has changed her. I wish I knew what it was." But she never did.

IMPROVING COUNTRY HIGHWAYS.

The patience of the American people has become proverbial. It is one of the characteristics upon which foreign visitors with an observing turn of mind invariably comment. There is no way in which this national trait is exemplified more forcibly than in the endurance shown by agricultural communities with country roads. Generation after generation goes on using the same highways and submitting to the same inconvenience with a patience which, if shown in good cause, would approach the sublime. When a long season of unfavorable weather has rendered the roads more nearly impassable than usual, a murmur will escape the lips of some long-suffering farmer as his wagon wheels sink to the hubs in mud. But as soon as the warm sun extracts some of the moisture from the soil and the sharp edges of the ruts are worn off, the complaints cease and the jolting goes on as before.—*Milford Gazette.*

It was a dull day in a barber's shop in Bangor, Me., and one of the loungers offered him seventy-five cents for the receipts of the day. The offer having been accepted, the lounger went out and drummed up his friends, and the receipts reached about ten dollars.

A man has been arrested in London for simply laying up something for a rainy day. In his room over nine hundred umbrellas were discovered.—*Norristown Herald.*

It is with narrow-souled people as it is with narrow-necked bottles—the less they have in them the more noise they make in pouring it out.

What Did He Leave.

What did he leave? He left the light of heaven
And the wide rivers that make glad the fields—
He left the birds the forest to enliven,
And the sweet buttercups with golden shields.
He left the music of the air and water,
And the cool groves, where witching shadows fall;
He left earth love, the Muses' purest daughter,
And poesy—that was beyond his call—
He left them all.

What did he leave? He left, with spirit yearning,
All of the flattering plaudits of his peers—
All of the laurel he had spent his life in earning,
And many things that wither with the years.
He left the wealth that flooded all his garners,
Which, ere the sun had set upon his pall,
Was reached for by the hands of greedy mourners,
Who feared lest something might the dead recall—
He left them all.

What did he take? Ah! It is not mortal
To judge the dead, or mete for him the rod;
Whate'er he carried through that mystic portal
Is known unto himself and to his God.
Just this we know, he took the blessing tender
Of those he cheered in poverty's enthrall—
He took whate'er he won of true worth's grandeur.
What time he sweetened sorrow's cup of gall—
And that was all.

DANGERS OF THE OCEAN.

GRAPHIC ACCOUNT OF THE GREATEST WRECK KNOWN.

Ocean disasters are of no rare occurance, but one took place over a hundred years ago whose very age makes it news to the present generation. It was an American-Atlantic gale, and one fleet went down in it whose loss of human lives and property is unparalleled in history. How many vessels and men went down in that great September gale of 1782 will never be known; but out of the great "Blue Field" fleet on its homeward way from the West Indies to England, and composed of about 100 ships, consisting of richly laden merchantmen, convoying men-of-war, and captured frigates and war vessels, over sixty were never heard of. 30,000 men of that single fleet went down to their graves in the Atlantic, and it was estimated that the loss to England was directly £20,000,000, or $100,000,000. Truly for four day's work there is nothing in the world's history to reach it, and though it occurred but yesterday—to-day it is nearly forgotten, and of the thousands who pass the Newfoundland banks it is a very small percentage who know of the great graveyard of 1782 that lies in their close vicinity. This doomed fleet was sent back from the Mosquito coast in charge of Admiral, afterwards Lord, Graves. Lord Rodney was in command of the British vessels, and in connection with Sir Thomas Hood, had captured numerous French men-of-war from the Counts de Grasse and d'Estang, as well as American vessels and heavenly loaded merchantmen from both nations. These with a large fleet of British merchantmen, all well loaded, transports and vessels returning with the sick and disabled, were placed under convoy of Admiral Graves, and the protection of the flag-ship Ramillies, seventy-four guns, Canada and Centau, seventy-four guns each, frigate Pallas, thirty-six guns, Ville-de-Paris, 110 guns, war vessels Glorieux, Caton, Ardent, Jackson, Hector and a number of others. It has been estimated that that there were 3,500 cannon in this great fleet, of about one hundred vessels. The vessels started on their disastrous voyage July 25, and made slow progress against heavy winds. On September 16 a heavy gale sprung up in the afternoon, and on board the flag-ship Ramillies the top-gallant yards and masts were sent down, the sails furled and the ship brought to under a mainsail on the larboard tack. The fleet was well bunched around the flag-ship and the other vessels speedily followed her example so far as practicable. During the night the wind was a gale, when at three o'clock on the morning of the 17th it whirled around into a directly opposite quarter, took the Ramillies by the lee, her main and mizzen mast went by the board, the foretop mast fell over the starboard bow, numbers of the yards broke in their slings, the tiller snapped, the rudder was nearly torn off, and in thirty seconds the great moral giant lay a wreck on the crumpled tops of a seething ocean, swept to a dead-level by a hurricane's knife-like hand. How many of the consorting vessels went down in that awful blast will never be known. Nobly the great Ramillies stood up against fate. Her copper sheathing was torn off, the oakum left her seams, and the waters poured in. Now came the fight for life. Gun after gun, cable after cable, shot after shot and bower after bower were given over as a sacrifice to the wrath of the deep. Whips, buckets and pumps were going in all directions. Rawhides were stretched and nailed fore and aft. It all prolonged the vessel's life, but could not save it. Gallantly she fought for existance until the evening of the 19th. Then a part of her orlop-deck was in her hold, her seams were gaping wide, she was a shaky ribwork of loose bolts and timbers, and evidently settling forward. Some of the merchantmen that still remained above water with their spars gone and sides stove came as near to the rescue as possible, and with vast difficulty the crew of the Ramillies was scattered among them. This done, and with a hatred of the storm that had wrecked their gallant vessel, a hatred that a seaman alone knows, a torch was applied to her magazine and the brave ship, with her last gasp, defied her enemy and became her own executioner. Such was the fate of the Ramillies. Of the rest of that great fleet, the gigantic Ville-de-Paris, with her 2,000 souls, went down with all on board, and not a mortal eye saw her sink. The Centaur, Glorieux, Hector, (men-of-war,) and a number of the merchantmen went down like the vast Paris—with none to see their death and none left to tell the tale of their final miseries. Of the other, some were seen to sink, the alarm gongs of others were heard, and some were seen to drive before the gale, mastless, rudderless and helpless. About twenty-five vessels out of the hundred comprising the fleet are supposed to have kept afloat. These reached different ports in sad plights. Some brought up at Halifax, some in Plymouth Sound, others at Bristol, at Irish ports and in France. This last refuge served to be the mockery of misery. The line ship Canada, seventy-four guns, was sighted by the survivors of the American-Atlantic tornado, half hull down, having her main-top and mizzen-masts gone, with her main yard aloft and the sail blown from the gasket. The impression was that she would go down to the bottom. But she did not. With a marvelously fleet keel she outstripped the entire survivors and run into Portsmouth, England, October 4. There she scattered the news of the dire fate that had overtaken the majestic Blue Field fleet. The news was speedily wafted across the channel to France, and the French privateers swarmed fourth to waylay the unprotected incoming victims of the gale, and captured a number. So that after escaping the jaws of the hurricane many fell into the prisons of France—*Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.*

WISE SAYINGS OF JOSH BILLINGS.

The mucertintys ov life are just what makes it endurable.

I think i had rather trust mi faith than mi judgment.

Az a general thing the philosophers ov the world hav spent much ov their time eating stewed terrapins, and then telling other pholks how unhealthy they am.

Mi friend, if you just give other people the same privileges that yu klaim for yurself, you will be surprised to see how smoothe and still the old machine runs.

If there wazn't eny pluols this world would be a dreadful desolate place to live in; it wouldn't pay to be wize or even cunning.

If it waz against the law to gess at things we wouldn't kno nuthch.

We all ov us owe to our vanity more than we like to be told ov.

Natur haz its devions and winding ways, az well az its strate places; heucely i hav learned to respekt the sweel in the kat's, and the krook in the dog's tale.

The more a man knows the more he doubts: when reason fails he lets faith lead him.

I do luv a live man. The only thing in Satan's karakter that saves him from supreme disgust iz, that he is allwus red-hot.

We all praze kontentment, but none ov us praktiss it.

The human heart has sekrets that it never reveals even to its possessor.

The man who brags about happiness, and the one who brags about his virtew, are both open to grave suspishuns.

There seems to be a growing dislike in the upper cirkles to "one's name" menshuned in the unzepapers, but thus far it iz confined to thoze who can't git there.

Tricing to live on a pedigree is a good deal like tricing to live on dried apples; about the best yu kan do after yu hav filled yurself with the apples is to take a drink and set down and swell.

Menny smart ones mistake abuse for sarkasm; abuse lands you away below your opponent.

There is but little bad luk in this world, but there is a heap ov bad management.

Vanity and jealousy allwus travel together, two selfish kritters.

Young man, don't forgit this: betting 10 dollars on it won't prove how far the bullfrog kan jump.

I never have kno but very fu men but what had more kapasity than will.

BOYS AND GIRLS.

Alas, the times are ont of joint! We have no boys and girls nowadays. Once there were intermediate states of boyhood, barefooted and bean-porridge-eating state, and spelling and ciphering period—when there were boys to do the chores and go errands—when apprentice indentures were in fashion, and the line between boyhood and manhood was well defined by the "freedom suit." But there are no such things now. The child steps out of his frock into a long-tailed coat and high-heeled boots, and can give his elders quite a reliable opinion on the merits of a cigar. So with girls: it is either baby or lady. The mother tends her infant, or waits upon her daughter. Instead of spinning flax for their father's shirt, they reel silk for the ladies fair; and instead of knitting stockings and mending trousers for their brothers, they work lace and make stays for themselves. The mother milks, churns, washes, mends, irons, and the daughters—the "ladies" read novels, dress and make and receive calls. They make parties instead of puddings, and cook by the book rather than from personal knowledge. We should be delighted to see a generation of boys and girls—in looks actions and dress—we should then hope for health and strength, industry and sobriety, frugality and economy, prosperity and happiness. We go for perfection to this class of our community. Every father should impose a tariff, one that should amount to an entire prohibition on the introduction of fashionable follies into the family. He should protect and enforce home industry. He and his wife and children should enter into a "home league" on the subject. This is the tariff that will restore confidence. This is the bank that will freely discount and never suspend.

Wanted—A modern young lady's forehead. Not having seen one for several years, we are willing to pay a fair price for a glimpse at the genuine article. No banged or otherwise untilated specimens wanted.

It is spoken of as a wonderful thing that the person who transports the mail from Vergennes to Addison, Vt., is a woman. Just as if transporting males were not woman's work from time immemorial.

At a convention in New York the other day, a member rose and gravely moved that "no one should vote who was not present."

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 16. 1884.

DR. H. A. COLLINS, the oldest homeopathic physician in Springfield, died on Tuesday, in his 58th year.

CHICAGO is to have Sunday horse races. This is a French practice which will not add to the luster or good name of the ambitious western city.

CHARLES O'CONOR, the eminent lawyer, died at Nantucket, Monday, at the age of 80 years. He came so near death in 1875, that many obituaries of him were published, but lived to do some of his best work since then.

WHEN F. O. Prince is elected delegate to the Democratic national convention instead of ex-Collector Simmons, as has occured in the 3d district, it looks very much as though the "old man's" influence was on the wane. Mr. Prince don't take any Butler in his.

THE Democrats of the 12th district yesterday elected J. F. Callanan of Springfield and E. M. Learned of Pittsfield, as delegates to the national convention. The convention had a pretty warm time of it, and the result is not very gratifying to the better elements of the party; but Butler is probably satisfied.

THE financial troubles which have come upon Gen. Grant are likely to result in his being placed upon the retired list of the army, with full pay. The country should have done this much for the great soldier long ago, in grateful recognition of his services, and it is to be hoped that Congress will not fail to pass the necessary measure.

CONGRESSMAN ROCKWELL has introduced a bill in the House for the construction of a $200,000 public building in Springfield for post office, United States court and internal revenue use. The idea of a fine government building in the city is naturally very "taking" with its citizens, and Mr. Rockwell doubtless expects to make himself solid with Hampden county voters by favoring it.

A STATUE of Chief Justice Marshall was unveiled at Washington last Saturday in the presence of a great throng of people. Chief Justice White delivered the oration. Judge Marshall presided over the supreme court for thirty-four years, beginning in January 1801, when the country and the constitution were yet young and undeveloped, and he laid firm and deep the foundations of the country's jurisprudence.

THE liabilities of Grant & Ward, the New York brokers who failed last week, are now estimated at nearly $15,000,000. The firm banked on the reputation of General Grant, whose connection with the house brought them many customers. Their business was conducted in the most reckless and extravagant manner, money borrowed at a fat rate interest being invested in all kinds of wildcat schemes, and their failure was but a question of time.

BRIDGEPORT, Ct., has had quite an excitement this week, caused by the suits for $300,000 brought against John Hurd, treasurer of the Housatonic Rolling Stock Co., on the charge of fraud in managing the concern. Hurd is the manager of this and several other companies of the same nature, organized under the laws of Michigan, and is reported to have made $1,500,000 from his operations. Stockholders have known absolutely nothing about the condition or management of the companies, being satisfied as long as they could receive 12 per cent dividends on their investment. There are a good many large holders of the stock in New England, whose judgment was blinded by the the tempting dividends paid.

THE two branches of Legislature had a conference Wednesday, to talk over the adjournment question, and concluded that they would try to get away from the Hub on the 29th. The people won't complain very much if they will finish up by that time, though few can see any necessity or reason for the Legislature to be in session every year for five months out of the twelve. The House has done a good thing in rejecting the wild scheme to loan the credit of the state to build houses for working people. The bill requiring fortnightly payment of operatives in manufactores has been defeated in the Senate, and so also has the bill relating to superior court terms in the western counties. The expected bill to repeal the present law to prevent the double taxation of mortgaged property, has been reported, and will doubtless give rise to a lively fight. Gov. Robinson has signed the bill to prevent insurance companies discriminating against colored people.

WEDNESDAY was a day of intense excitement in New York financial circles, and for a while it seemed as though the experiences of Black Friday were to be repeated. The suspension of Hatch & Foote and several other brokers was announced in the morning, and shortly before noon the Metropolitan National Bank closed its doors, this action being brought about, it is thought, by the railroad speculations of its president, Geo. I. Seney. The bank resumed business yesterday, however, and notwithstanding the suspension of Fisk & Hatch and one or two other firms, the worst of the panic is believed to have passed. There have been heavy runs on some of the other banks in the city and Brooklyn, and an occasional suspension in other parts of the country, generally caused by some connection with suspended New York banks. The flurry has caused a decline in stocks to such an tent that large investment orders are beginning to come in, which will doubtless check any further drop in prices.

The Cape Cod Ship Canal company has a new dredger which will excavate 20,000 cubic yards a day. It is said to be the largest dredger in the world, and can do the work of from 175 to 200 men. By the new survey and other changes proposed, the work will require at least four years for its completion, at an estimated expense of $1,000,000 per mile. The channel will be eight miles long, 240 feet wide, and deep enough to float the largest vessels. Under the proposed change of location, the entrance at Buzzard's Bay will be between Mashee and Tobey's Island.

THIS, THAT, AND THE OTHER.

A marriage ceremony may be spoken of as a knotty affair.

A good looking young lady clerk may be called a counter attraction.

A man who is drunk is spoken of as being "plumb." As a general rule he is anything but plumb.

It's about time for some of our exchanges to resurrect the old one about the mosquito presenting his bill.

"Have you anything to say for yourself?" his Honor asked the prisoner whom he was about to sentence. "Remember the golden rule, Judge," was the reply.

The man who is just now the most enthusiastic on the subject of dress reform is probably the one who has just been presented with the bill for his wife's spring millinery.

"This is apple year in New England. Blossoms may be expected about May 20," says an exchange. Yes, and the small boy may be expected after the apples about June 20th.

The Postmaster-General has changed the name of the post office at Damphool, Tenn., to Blizzard. He didn't propose to have any such Damphool of a place connected with his department.

The summer resorts are now advertising for summer boarders, and bragging on "no flies," "not a mosquito," etc. We do not doubt the truth of these assertions now, but just wait a few weeks. They will need to change the wording of their ads. then.

Action and reaction are equal, is the old rule. Not by a good deal, they aren't. There is considerable action when a young fellow gets shot off the front piazza some pleasant evening, but the reaction isn't worth a cent. There are exceptions to all rules.

The lady organist in one of our churches just dotes on the music of the future, and you can always tell when she is playing it by the way she keeps Wagner head.—*Marlboro Times.*

Yes, that's so, but she's Offenbach upon the music of to-day, though, and then you have to Listz closely in order to tell what she is playing.

The Marlboro *Times* has got back to its old quarters, from whence it was driven by fire last December. Brother Morse says the only volume left from his library at that time was a damaged copy of the revised edition, and wants those who have borrowed books of him to return them at once. If Charles don't use them oftener than he does the one volume left him he won't wear them out in a long time after getting them.

A good old deacon who was in the habit of being rather long-winded at prayer meetings, rose one evening and after speaking a moment said, "I have but few remarks to make this evening, and—" "Thank the Lord!" shouted a deaf old lady who understood him to say something else, and thought it was time to respond. The parson struck up the tune "We shall meet beyond the river," but the thought only added fuel to the flame in the mind of the deacon.

The name of the prince who heads the party of Siamese Ambassadors in this country is "Somdetch-Phra-Paraminda-Maha-Chulalonkoru-Patiudr-Debia-Maha-Mought-ut-Purnsiaratue-Raja-ra-wongse-Warutmabrongse-Parabut-Warakh-attiara-raja-nika-rotama-Chaturanta-parama-maha-Chak-rubar-tira-gasangkas-Parumad-harm-mika-Maha-rujad-hiraja-Para-manarth-Pabite-Phra-Chula-Cromklow-Chow-Vu-Hua." They commence the afternoon before when they want to introduce him to any one.

The town of Athol is somewhat excited over a new phase of the liquor question. On Monday morning the following notice was found posted up on the doors of the hotels, restaurants and drug stores, and all places where liquor was supposed to be sold:

NOTICE.

To Law Breakers in the traffic of RUM, and the whole traffic in the curse, in this town.

WE, a Committee of Five, have given and pledged our hearts and fortunes to suppress the whole traffic, Licensed and Unlicensed Abomination. If we are powerless in LAW, we shall act in our judgment, and apply the aid given by the Almighty, by the use of his elements, such as we in our humble way can command.

Per Order of Committee of 5.

The fact that two saloons have been burned within a few weeks would seem to give some color to the threat, yet the people of the town do not think the notice will amount to anything. One of the druggists has offered a reward of $100 for information as to who posted the notice on his buildings.

The first number of the Springfield *Wheelmen's Gazette* is out, and contains 16 pages with 8 pages of cover. It is a handsome sheet, filled with matter of interest to all wheelmen, and the public in general. It will be published monthly, and will vary from 16 to 24 pages. The price is only 50 cents a year, and it will no doubt meet with the success it deserves.

The large tobacco firm of P. Lorillard & Co., of New York, have opened a reading room for their employes, and a library of 6000 volumes which will soon be increased to 10,000. Large tables are provided, and checkers, chess and other games are furnished. A better move for the advancement of the working class could not be made.

A member of the Salem Salvation Army got drunk last week, and had to be "prayed out" of the police station. Although Salem is a no-license city, two members of the army found enough spiritual refreshment to get drunk on last Sunday.

A young man at San Francisco, who had been charged with having assaulted a girl at a picnic, was shot dead in the court by the girl's father when the case came up for trial. It was proved that the young man was innocent.

Cyrus H. McCormick, inventor of the reaping machine, head of the large harvester manufacturing company at Chicago, and one of the richest men of that city, died on Tuesday, aged 75.

Another alleged counterfeiter, Peter Brough, was arrested at Fall River last Sunday, charged with passing counterfeit silver dollars.

Ex-Mayor Saunders of Lawrence, charged with ballot-box fraud at the late election, has been held for trial in the sum of $1000.

LOCAL NOTICES.

Choice selection of Potted Plants just coming in at A. E. Park's.

Childs' Shoe Store warrants all goods worth the price, and can prove their prices the lowest.

Notwithstanding the recent burglary, F. H. Barton has a full line of desirable patterns of solid and plated silverware.

Milligan thinks the burglar must have had an extremely large foot, or he would have been able to have found a perfect fit in his assortment of gent's fine shoes.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

Tuesday's rain did lots of good.

More of the much needed rain yesterday and to-day.

Rev. Mr. Perry preached at Noth Adams last Sunday.

E. Brown is painting his North Main street residence.

The first thunder and lightening of the season yesterday afternoon.

Monday was a regular March day, with its cold and blustering wind.

Mrs. Sarah Wallace has the frame up for her new house on Pine street.

H. A. Clark has opened a branch store in the Pronlx block at West Warren.

A lot of gypsies, bound east, passed through the village Tuesday noon.

A club from this place will go to Ware to-morrow afternoon to play the Clippers.

Charles Robinson has sold his building lot on Park street to Mrs. C. W. Brainard.

A free show from a wagon attracted a crowd on Main street in front of the hotels last evening.

And now Church street has received a coating of the hardening material. That's right; keep on.

O. P. Allen has fallen into line and removed the fence in front of his Church street residence.

Z. F. Beverly of the Converse House has sold his 145-acre farm in Windsor to George Robinson.

Rev. Mr. Hunter gives his last lecture to young men at the Congregational church next Sunday evening.

A very brilliant rain-bow was visible in the east at five o'clock yesterday afternoon. It lasted some minutes.

There is to be a grand ball at the Converse House this evening, with music by the Springfield orchestra.

George Robinson has sold a building lot on the corner of Pleasant and School streets to J. W. Shanks for $1000.

Died, at Palmer, —— the Village Improvement Association, aged —, after a long and useful existence(?).

He could just stand up on Main street yesterday afternoon. To say that he was paralyzed was no name for it.

W. P. Webster has removed the fence in front of his Thorndike street residence, much improving the looks thereof.

Hush! Prepare yourself. Not so loud! Be careful and not give it away. The new depot is nearly ready for occupancy.

The village schools closed last Friday in order to give the teachers an opportunity to attend the teachers' institute at Springfield.

New awnings have been put up this week at J. B. Shaw's grocery store, and at the millinery store of Mrs. M. J. Kerigan, in Cross' block.

John Fagan was on Monday requested to pay $5.83 for the privilege of getting drunk. He could not, and so was sent up for a time to work it out.

Tom Murphy had the misfortune to fall and break his collar bone while playing ball at the New London Northern freight house last Saturday.

What on earth is the matter with our officers? Not a drunk run in this week! We've seen any quantity of them, and not gone off Main street, either.

New steel rails are being put in on the B. & A. road at this station. New patent switches have been put in between this station and the Blanchardville cut.

E. J. Wood has not disposed of his paper hanging and oil stove business as some were led to suppose from last weeks' article, but still continues it at the old stand.

The bill poster of this village met with quite a loss on his trip to Three Rivers last Sunday. Whether he wishes the property returned or not, he does not state.

The roadway from Central street to the bridge is in good condition since the hardening process, much to the delight of those who are obliged to travel that way.

About a dozen of our citizens went to Springfield Monday evening on a visit to the Springfield commandery of Knight Templars. They report a splendid time.

If the person who sent us a communication yesterday signed "A Friend" will call on us he can have the money which was enclosed. We do not take pay for such services.

The new passenger station which is to be built at Holyoke this season, by the Connecticut River Railroad, will be of granite, with brick foundations, and will in a general way resemble the new depot in this place.

An eye-witness reports that a young fellow of about 18, while walking out one afternoon not so very long ago, was observed to indulge in a number of loving and hearty hugs, on Main street, in full view of a number of houses.

A lazy-looking nag attached to a farm wagon made a lively dash down Thorndike street Wednesday noon, leaving the wagon near the Catholic church with a broken shaft and the owner sitting in the bottom holding on for dear life.

Palmer is getting to be quite a place anyway. One of our hotels now has an orchestra which though it does not play continually for the edification of guests, is practicing diligently, and may be expected in constant attendance soon.

We have on our table a stalk of wheat from Stockton, Cal., which measures 6 feet and 6 inches in length, picked on the 4th inst, from the field of H. C. Palmer, a brother of Mrs. C. E. Dewey of this place. The field contains 1000 acres.

The Grand Army post has engaged the Boston Duck Band of Bondsville to furnish the music on Decoration day. We think the home band, which has tried hard to keep its head above water, should have been patronized, even at the expense of a few more dollars. The price they asked was none too much.

The head carpenter at the depot, Thomas Hall, met with a queer accident last Friday afternoon. He was standing on the floor when a workman overhead broke a chisel, and the blade falling, struck him on the top of the head, cutting a gash about an inch and a quarter in length, which the doctor had to sew up. It was a narrow escape for him.

Palmer has a few stockholders in the Housatonic Rolling Stock Co., which has been managed, or mismanaged, by John Hurd of Bridgeport, Ct., who has been sued on the charge of fraudulent management. The local stockholders would doubtless be willing to sell out at a liberal discount, though some of them seem to think the suit will be a benefit to the company.

Hampden Royal Arch Chapter at their annual convocation Wednesday evening elected the following officers: J. B. Shaw, H. P.; S. S. Taft, K.; Geo. O. Henry, scribe; L. E. Moore, treas.; C. W. Cross, sec.; Geo. Robinson, C. H.; A. Pinney, P. S.; S. H. Hellyar, R. A. C.; S. L. Ferry, M. 3d V.; E. C. Sexton, M. 2d V.; Ole E. Crawford, M. 1st V.; O. R. Hunt, Chaplain; S. W. Shumway, Tyler.

One of our stable men got cleverly beaten out of the price of a team to West Brookfield last Saturday. A man wanted to be carried to that place and brought back after a half hour's stop. He was carried to a house and the driver told to return in thirty minutes. When he did so it was found that the man had simply inquired if "Mr. Clark" lived there, and then left, no such person being known.

The 76th birthday of Dr. J. R. Bigelow, for the last 14 years a clerk in the Pension Office at Washington, D. C., was celebrated by the clerks of that office by a reunion at the house of the Major a few evenings since, and the presentation of an elegant arm chair, with a poem written for the occasion. Major Bigelow was surgeon of the 83d New York volunteers, and left a lucrative practice in New York City at the call of his country in 1861, serving nearly all the remainder of the war.

A young couple, he perhaps 20 and she 18, were seen walking along Main street about 10 o'clock this morning, evidently in search of something. They finally stopped in front of a saloon, and while he went in to investigate she waited for him on the sidewalk. Apparently everything was all satisfactory, for he came back and she followed him in, where they were both observed to indulge in something which came from behind the bar, after which they emerged and went on their way apparently refreshed and rejoicing.

We wonder if those who have the matter under their control and ought to be posted, know what a filthy place the tramp room and lock up in this village is. If they do, the only thing to be said is, that they ought to be ashamed of it, and have the matter remedied at once; if they do not, they had better investigate the matter a little. A man, no matter how drunk he may be, or how hardened a criminal, has a right to a clean and healthy place of confinement when arrested. The lock-up in this place is neither, and should be attended to at once.

A couple struck town one day this week with the intention of getting married, but as the divine whom they wished to perform the ceremony was not at home when they called, they were obliged to wait for him. The groom improved the opportunity to sample the various fluids sold in town, and got decidedly full. After waiting some time for him the woman started out in search of him, and enlisted the sympathies of two of our clerks in her behalf, in an endeavor to hunt up the absentee. It was not until toward night, however, that he put in an appearance, and when last seen was making arrangements with the parson, but still feeling "pretty happy."

In speaking of the changes for the park east of the new depot the Springfield *Republican* says:

"The project of buying and moving the Baptist church and laying out a park to extend to the Weeks house seems to have been given up. It is understood that Palmer people have not taken sufficient interest in the park project to be willing to do anything toward moving the church."

This item will doubtless be news to most of the people in the village. We were not aware that the project was ever presented to the "Palmer people." It was at one time merely suggested that such a thing be done, and was talked of slightly by those most directly interested. Landlord Weeks being the principal one, but we don't think that the subject ever came this side of the bridge.

Anchor of Hope Lodge, No. 128, I. O. G. T., celebrated its eighteenth birthday last Friday evening. Notwithstanding it commenced its existance with the usual prophecy that it would not live six months, it is still alive and in a fair state of prosperity, as the late incease of members shows. D. G. W. C. T., A. L. Fairbanks installed the following officers: W. C. T., H. G. Cross; W. V. T., Mary E. King; W. S., H. A. Crofton; W. A. S., Lottie C. Moore; W. F. S., Etta U. Cross; W. T., Bertha I. Barrett; W. C., A. E. Cross; W. M., F. Conant; W. D. M., Mary Messier; W. I. G., A. E. Palmer; W. O. G., Wm. Wood; P. W. C. T., W. H. Graves; organist, Cora Parkhurst. About forty of the present and former members were present. Some reminiscences of its history were given by the older members, and a short musical and literary entertainment by the the young people followed, after which a collation was served. A pleasant social evening being passed. Of the twenty-six charter members, there were present Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Merriam, Mrs. L. Lawrence, Mrs. E. J. Wood, Elbridge Wood, Mrs. A. E. Cross.

C. W. Eddy of Ware, who last fall published a "Ware Illustrated," containing views and descriptions of the various points of interest in the town, is now taking views in this village and proposes to publish a "Palmer Illustrated," provided enough subscribers can be obtained to cover the cost of issuing the work. Several views have already been taken, and include in their number a bird's-eye-view of the village, taken from the high hill just across the river, two views of Main street, a view of Wales Hall, Church street—showing the bank building, Weeks House, Baptist church, new depot, wire mill, carpet mill, and the "Washington Elm," which stands on the farm of M. W. French, just west of the village. Others from this village will follow, and the other villages will not be slighted. The plan is—a view of all the prominent buildings and points of interest, beauty, etc., with a short description of each, neatly bound in book form, about 8 by 10 inches. The Ware edition is a fine work, and we can guarantee that the Palmer edition will be one which will ornament any center table. Mr. Eddy expects to be able to show proofs in a few days, and we hope enough subscriptions can be secured to insure its publication.

ROLLER SKATING.

A larger audience than usual was present at the rink last Saturday evening, the event being the first masquerade and costume party which has been held at the rink here for over two years. A larger number of costumes than had been hoped for even, were worn, many of them being very tasteful. The maskers occupied the floor until 9 o'clock, when an exhibition of fancy skating was given by Willie Conroy of Springfield, who is quite an artist in his line, after which the floor was open to all until 10.30, the band furnishing good music.

Wednesday evening witnessed the largest audience of the season, the attraction being Miss Carrie Gilmore, the champion lady skater of New England. At 9 o'clock she made her appearance, and went through with an exhibition which won frequent bursts of applause from the audience, which contained a large number of our best people.

The rink will be open again to-morrow afternoon and evening.

The manager, Mr. Baker, is receiving more encouragement than he expected, and very likely by another season a permanent rink will be established here, and a building erected expressly for it.

BURGLARS WEDNESDAY EVENING.

The jewelry store of F. D. Barton on Main street was entered some time between nine and ten o'clock Wednesday evening, and silver spoons, thimbles, and goods of like character to the value of $75 stolen. The thief evidently secreted himself in a back room among a lot of packing boxes, and so was inside when the store was locked for the night. It was then but an easy matter to break a pane of glass in the door between this room and the store, draw back the bolt and walk in. Appearances indicate that he was frightened away before fully accomplishing his errand. In leaving he evidently was in somewhat of a hurry, as he did not stop to unbolt the back door, but jumped through a window, taking sash and all with him, the fact that none of the broken glass was found in the room, going to sustain this theory. The men in Marcy's livery stable just back of the store, heard a crash of glass about ten minutes before ten, and going out saw some one coming from back of the block, but did not think anything more serious than the accidental breaking of a window had taken place. Later, however, in thinking the matter over they decided to investigate, and found the window smashed, and silverware scattered about the ground. Mr. Barton closed his store at nine o'clock, and had not yet retired when the news was brought him. There is no clew to the thief.

DEATH OF JOHN CLOUGH.

The death of John Clough last Tuesday, of pneumonia, was a great surprise to most of our citizens, very few of whom had been apprised of his sickness. Mr. Clough's long residence in town, covering a period of nearly half a century, and his prominence in public affairs, gave him an intimate acquaintance with the people of this region, and his death will be widely and sincerely mourned.

Mr. Clough was born at Ludlow, February 13, 1816. He came to this town when quite a young man, and was employed for a number of years as an overseer in the mill at Three Rivers. He early united with the Methodist church at Four Corners, and continued an active member down to the time of his death. Mr. Clough was a modest, unassuming man, and never a seeker after office or position, but he always commanded the confidence and respect of his fellow-townsmen, and was often called by them to places of public trust. He was chosen a member of the board of assessors in 1863, and has since been re-elected for twenty-one consecutive years. He held the office of census enumerator under both the national and state governments, and for several years has been a trustee in our local savings bank. In 1860 he represented this town in the general court.

Mr. Clough possessed social qualities of a high order. Among his neighbors he was especially esteemed. He was by nature a kindly disposed man, and while always independent and self-respecting, he rarely ever by word or deed gave occasion for offense. Mr. Clough buried his wife several years ago, and leaves no children, his nearest relatives being a brother and two sisters. His funeral was largely attended at the Methodist church Thursday afternoon, Rev. Mr. Atkins, the late pastor, assisted by Rev. Mr. Clark of Bondsville, officiating.

THE HAMPDEN COUNTY CONFERENCE OF CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES.

This association held its semi-annual meeting with the Congregational church of this place last Wednesday. The morning session was opened with a devotional exercise, which was led by Rev. M. S. Howard of Wilbraham. The reports of the various churches were then read, the majority of them showing that the respective fields were in a prospering condition, and with a good prospect before them. The First church of Springfield reported an increase of 104 members in the last nine months, and a greater interest in the Sunday school. The First church of Holyoke was also reported in an excellent condition, notwithstanding the reports which had gone out. More harmony in the church was also reported, owing to a recent change in the constitution restricting the right to vote to those who had been regularly voted in. Olivet church of Springfield reported a year of great prosperity. The church is out of debt, and $2000 have been expended in the past year to increase the Sunday school accommodations. The North church debt was reduced nearly one-half during the year, an increased Sunday school interest is shown, and over 60 new members have been received. Increased interest and membership was reported from the Memorial church of Springfield, and the churches at Longmeadow, Monson, Chicopee, West Springfield and other places. The number of churches in the conference was reported to be 37, all but six having pastors, or acting pastors, and representing a total membership of 6486. The number in the Sunday schools of these churches is 7165, and the benevolent contributions during the year amounted to $20,126.

Not much time remained for the discussion of the new Congregational creed, and Rev. Dr. Terhune of Springfield, who was to have opened the discussion, being absent, it was led by Rev. Mr. Harding of Longmeadow, who thought there were many strong points in its favor, and the more he studied it the more he liked it. Mr. Smith of Westfield noted the difference in the manuals, and thought one great point in favor of its adoption would be the uniformity which it would give. Rev. Mr. Byington of Monson spoke briefly against the creed, and it was agreed to continue the subject in the afternoon, when discussions on the awakening and extension of religious interest in the churches, and the means of securing the activity of the younger members, were also brought up.

BELCHERTOWN.

Three persons united with the Congregational church last Sunday.

The town fathers are so well pleased with the road repairing machine that they have purchased another.

Orrin Jepson, who had a stroke of paralysis two weeks since, has so far revived as to be able to go out of doors.

Quite a number of people went to Enfield last Tuesday evening to the dedication of the new town house, not returning until the small hours.

WEST WARREN.

The roller skating rink is open quite often, and seems to be well patronized.

The Congregational Pulpit was supplied by Rev. Mr. Childs of Boston, last Sunday.

Dana Buxton's new house is progressing rapidly, the outside work being nearly all done.

Business is not very brisk at the cotton mills, and fears are entertained by many of the operatives that they will suspend entirely for a while in the near future.

Detachments of the "dinner pail brigade" may be seen marching toward Warren early in the morning to attend "work-parade" for the day. This brigade is constantly receiving new recruits, some of them rather raw, especially on the "hoof."

WARREN.

Mr. Samuel Robbins has opened an insurance office in Quaboag block.

The teachers had Friday given them to attend the teachers institute at Springfield.

The laying of the concrete walks has commenced, and a large number will be laid this season.

Mr. Maxwell who took posession of the Warren hotel has left here. Mr. Sturtevant has both house and stable under his control.

Mr. Jewell disappointed the Sons of Temperance Tuesday evening, and Rev. Mr. Forbes supplied his place.

The board of engineers chosen by the selectmen are E. F. Strickland, chief; H. H. Hitchcock, secretary; F. D. Reed, assistant secretary.

The Knowles Hose Company have reorganized for the year, and chosen J. G. Leach foreman, Mr. Cunningham assistant foreman, W. S. Tisdale clerk and treasurer.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

Dr. W. H. Cutler of Chelsea was in town Thursday.

Rev. Geo. W. Mansfield will preach at the Chapel at 6 o'clock Sunday evening.

James Bruce has taked a good position with the paper company at Westfield. His family still remain in town.

The 10.50 p. m. accommodation from Boston has no patrons here, and the employes are obliged to lengthen the day to 17 hours, as the local train comes in soon after six in the morning. It would be no inconvenience should the occasional patron be permitted to pay his fare on the train.

Tuesday afternoon a car jumped the track in the paper mill yard, as the switcher was taking a load of empty cars up the hill. The trucks were demolished and the car turning a somerset landed by the side of the track, blocking the way. The wrecking train came out, repaired the track and moved two of the cars away.

MONSON.

There is one Young man in town who thinks he has missed his calling, and has some idea of becoming a professional artist.

Druggist Keeney got quite a severe header while riding his bicycle the other day, but it doesn't dampen his enthusiasm in the least.

Dr. J. P. Rand has gone to Boston to attend a special course of lectures which are being given in the University by Prof. Hughes of London.

L. C. Flynt concludes that the Star is not as brilliant a machine as he imagined it would be, consequently he has given it up and still sticks to the Expert.

Rev. Albert Hammatt will preach Sunday morning his first anniversary sermon, subject: "Retrospect and Prospect." Evening theme, "The Latest Objection against Universalism."

The young people of the M. E. church are preparing an entertainment to be given in Central Hall on the evening of Memorial day. The proceeds will go toward the purchase of a church organ.

BRIMFIELD.

Cheney Newton has leased the store formerly occupied by G. M. Hitchcock and has opened the same with a stock of groceries.

George A. Webster, clerk for John F. Converse for several years, leaves the first of June. Success attend him wherever he may locate.

Mrs. G. M. Hitchcock has on exhibition a geranium which has had over 250 blossoms on it in the past three weeks. At one time it contained 160.

The First parish at their meeting on Saturday last voted to concur with the church in extending an invitation to Rev. Joseph Kyte to become their pastor.

Five sign boards have recently been put up at different points in town, all of them saying "To Palmer." As Brimfield has no license and Palmer has, it has caused a few smiles among some of our citizens.

The graduating class of the Hitchcock Free High School this year numbers ten, six young men and four young women. The appointments have been made as follows: Salutatorian, Charles T. Sullivan; valedictorian, Fannie B. Gates; odist Emma M. Green. The following members of the school have been elected as a committee to have charge of the garden grounds: Charles T. Sullivan, Geo. N. Lawson, Omer W. Marcy, Lucy Horton, Bessy F. Brown, Lizzie H. Miller. The school is in a flourishing condition.

WARE AND VICINITY.

A wholesale liquor license has been granted to Owen F. McMahon.

Inspector Fay of Springfield will inspect Post 85, G. A. R., on the evening of the 22d inst.

Comrade William H. Bartlett of Worcester is to deliver the address for the Grand Army on Memorial day.

The first story of Gray's new block is up. It is said by some who have seen the plans, that it is to be the finest looking business block in town.

C. W. Eddy is making the negatives for Palmer Illustrated, similar to the "Ware Illustrated," which was published by him a few months ago.

John J. Shay, the new proprietor of the Delavan House, has completed the renovation of the building, and it is now as neat as a pin, and has a liberal patronage.

Rev. L. L. Beaman of West Brookfield will preach in the Methodist church next Sunday morning, as the pastor is attending the general conference at Philadelphia.

Rev. H. Matthews will preach a memorial sermon to the J. W. Lawton Post G. A. R. on Sunday evening, May 25. All comrades and the public are cordially invited to be present.

The fancy and trick skating by Prof. Lyman last Saturday evening, as well as the skating on stilts was very fine. We understand the Prof. has some other difficult feats which will be presented at no distant day.

Only one drunk before the district court last week Friday. Evidently the drinking men do not like to have their names published as drunkards, for then they can have no more of the Oh-be-joyful for six months, according to law.

Dr. D. W. Ainsworth and wife leave to-morrow for a trip to Stanton, Va., to attend the reunion of the 28th New York regiment with the 5th Virginia regiment. They will be absent about two weeks, visiting Washington and other places of interest before they return.

The new town barn on West Main street is completed. The basement is finished for stables for horses and oxen, and the floor, on a level with the street, will be used for storing the wagons, carts, and other road making tools, while the loft above will be for the hay and grain.

John Provost was severely injured last week by his horse running away with him. The harness was loose so that the wagon struck the horse's heels, when he ran, throwing out Mr. Provost and so injuring him about the head that for some days he did not realize what he was about, and he is not yet able to attend to business.

The attraction this week at the skating rink was the orange race on Tuesday evening. There were four entries. The first prize was awarded to Bert Edmunds, second to John H. Storrs, Jr., and the third to Thomas F. Clark, Jr. Fred Caryl had the misfortune to throw off one of his skates at the start and was obliged to withdraw. Frank Gleason acted as umpire.

Capt. Benjamin Tupper, we believe our oldest resident, aged 89 years, died quite suddenly at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Sibley at Gilbertville, last Monday evening. He was as well as usual, in fact said he had not felt so well for some time as through the day Monday, and he retired as usual about 9 o'clock and at 10 o'clock he was dead. He came to Ware in 1845, from Barnard Vt., where he had been prominent in public affairs. The funeral services were held at the residence of his son-in-law, Benjamin F. Angell, at Ware, and were attended by Rev. Mr. Perry of Palmer He leaves five children and eleven grand children to mourn his loss. Five of the granddaughters sang "Rock of Ages" at the funeral.

The meeting of the fire district on Monday was most harmonious, the district evidently feeling that the affairs had been managed so well in the past that there was no disposition to make any material change. The following officers were elected: Chief Engineer, T. C. Gleason; first assistant, Myron Ramsdell; second assistant, E. A. Aldrich; third assistant, Frank Ward; clerk, E. T. Hampton; treasurer, Otis Lane; prudential committee, F. P. Clark, P. L. Keefe, George Gould. It was voted to reduce the Oregon Engine Company from 68 to 50 men, and they were to receive a salary of $12 each per annum, and $600 was voted for this purpose. The hook and ladder company of 12 men are to receive $144, the same per member as the engine company. It was voted to raise for other purposes, $600; for new hose, 200; salaries, $140; for two fire extinguishers, $80; connecting hydrant on Water street, $300; total amount to be raised, $1964.00. It was voted to pay the expenses of the chief engineer to attend the state firemen's association.

The Shaker community near Albany, N. Y., is excited over the elopement of a pretty sister with a young German who had been employed by the society but a few weeks. The girl was adopted by the Shakers when young and friendless, and has been with them about a dozen years.

Willard's Hotel at Washington, was partially destroyed by fire on Tuesday morning. The fire originated in the boiler room, and had been burning some time before being discovered. The loss is about $15,000.

The Northwestern Car Company of Stillwater, Minn., of which U. S. Senator Sabin is president, has suspended, liabilities of $1,600,000 and assets of $4,000,000.

NEWS MORSELS.

"Mark Twain" is learning to ride a bicycle.

A Philadelphia man has $400,000 insurance on his life.

John B. Gough has gone to California for some months because of poor health.

A ladies' rowing club in Paris has challenged a gentleman's club for a six-oared race.

Three little girls have died at Girardville, Pa., in two weeks from excessive rope-skipping.

A Mormon missionary has been condemned to a month's imprisonment at Vienna.

Two of Jeff. Davis' former slaves now own his plantation, for which they paid $200,000.

Important discoveries of gold have been made at Kaladan, forty miles from Kingston, Canada.

The treasury building at Washington is to have a new vault, big enough to hold $75,000,000 in specie.

One in every three days was the rate at which new newspapers made their appearance in this country last year.

The Peabody selectmen have declined to allow post 50 of that town the free use of the town hall on memorial day.

A mastodon's tooth in good condition, and weighing four pounds, was found a Perry Center, N. Y., the other day.

Experiments are being made in Washington with a view to testing the feasibility of running telephone wires under ground.

Jay Cooke, whose failure made such an uproar in 1873, is rich again. He owns stock in mines said to be worth several millions.

A bear shot at Gulf Hammock, Florida, the other day, weighed six hundred pounds and the fat on his back was four inches thick.

Twenty-two Mormon elders have just sailed for Liverpool, to work from two to five years in various parts of Europe as missionaries.

Mrs. Dubois, daughter of Gen. W. T. Sherman, has 350 varieties of roses in her garden at Pass Christian. It is one of the loveliest rose gardens in Mississippi.

WHAT IS CLAIMED.

BY SOME OF OUR EXCHANGES.

Two middle-aged widows of Reading, Pa., are earning a living for themselves and families by breaking stone at 35 cents a ton. They say they prefer it to household work.

A letter carrier at Montgomery, Ala., a few days since delivered a letter from South Carolina which was written and postmarked in the year 1850. Where it has been all these years is a mystery. The man to whom it was delivered died nineteen years ago, and it was directed to his brother.

There is said to be a little colored girl at Felicity, Ohio, four years of age, who, without learning to do so, can read as well as children twice her age who have been taught. She never attended school or received private instruction, yet will read a primer from beginning to end aloud. She has been tested in several ways.

Mrs. Sally Gage of East Burke, Vt. who is in her 89th year, has since the middle of last September woven 160 yards of rag carpeting and 38 yards of flannel, spun 41 pounds of rolls, knit 6 pairs of stockings, 5 pairs of double mittens and 1 pair of gloves, besides piecing up three bedquilts and making up 50 yards of cotton cloth.

The Troy *Times* says a cat in that city has a happy family of four young rats and four kittens. The rodents were adopted by the mother of the feline youngsters after she had dined upon four of their brethen, eight having been turned over to her. The little rats take kindly to their foster-mother, who nurses and fondles them in common with her own young.

A. C. Harmon of Suffield, Ct., has a Brahma hen that has taken two young pigs under her wing. They are the survivors of a litter that were born recently, and the hen commenced brooding them at once. The mother suckles them, and the old hen settles over them, keeping them warm by the spread of her wings, and all efforts of the mother to drive her away are unavailing.

A submarine boat which ought to be able to destroy the navies of the world has been made at Stockholm. It was tried on the Malar lake, and will shortly be brought over to France. The boat hits the shape of a cigar, is 64 feet long, 6 feet wide, and has an engine of 30-horse power. It is said that it can be navigated under water, goes at the speed of ten nautical miles an hour, and that four persons can, without any danger, remain in it for six hours running. The funnel shaped cylinder is the only part of the boat which is visible. A winding stair leads to the boat, which is steered from the top of the cylinder, where a glass roof enables the man at the wheel to see the surface of the water and direct the course of his strange submarine engine.

Going to the Reichstag, Bismark is guarded as closely as the Czar when he appears in public. Police agents in plain clothes are posted all along the way from his house and even in the chamber itself, and no one—not even a regular Government employe—is admitted to any part of the building without a special permit. As soon as the Chancellor reaches his desk, attendants place before him half-a-dozen well sharpened pencils and a large glass of Moselle wine.

The New York city police judge has given patrolmen these instructions as to the way to treat bunko and confidence men: As soon as you see one of these fellows in company with any citizen, you go up alongside and say: "This man here who is talking to you is a bunko man; he is a thief, so look out for him. I am an officer, and I have warned you." Say this so everybody can hear you.

Hu King Eng, a Chinese girl of eighteen, has come to this country to study medicine. She will graduate from college and then take a regular course at the Women's Medical College in Philadelphia, in order to take charge of a hospital in her native land.

It is calculated that there are now residing in the United States nearly a thousand Japanese, and of this number it is said that not one has ever been convicted of any criminal offense in the American court.

The eldest daughter of Lord Lytton, though only 14, has taken up the family pen and written one of the most blood-curdling ghost stories that has seen the light for many a day.

A hook has just been completed in the government printing office, which is sixteen inches wide, contains 10,000 pages and weighs 140 pounds.

A new kind of polo on skates was introduced at the rink at Providence, R. I., a few evenings ago, when one player knocked another down with his stick in a hotly contested game.

Col. Robert G. Ingersoll delivered his new lecture, entitled "Orthodoxy," to an immense audience at the Boston Theater last Sunday evening. The lecture was two hours long.

News was received at Montreal on Monday of the sinking of a St. Pierre fishing schooner, and the loss of 12 lives, by a collision with an English bark.

Senator Morrill, of Vermont, was compelled to be absent from the United States Congress on Tuesday for the first time in 29 years' service.

An explosion occurred in a small building used for mixing fulminate at Bridgeport, Ct., Monday morning. The building was blown to atoms, and one man instantly killed.

Blake Walters, ex-cashier of the state treasury, and a prominent politician of Pennsylvania, was arrested Monday on complaint of his wife, charged with infidelity.

CREAM AND COLD WEATHER.

What a luxry is a bath in summer. Surely, but a greater luxury is a clear head in winter, just when almost everybody is sneezing and snuffling with a cold in the head. But when you are attacked use Ely's Cream Balm. It cures colds in the head, and what is better, it cures the worst cases of chronic catarrh and hay fever. Not a liquid, not a snuff. Pleasant to use. Quick relief. Radical cure. 2w7

Whitney & Adams, at the "Old Corner Bookstore," Springfield, have a full stock now of croquet, lawn tennis and archery goods.

Forbes & Wallace, Springfield, are having a rushing sale of Jersey cloaks. They have a full line of all the popular grades, black and colored, headed and braided, with plaits and without. They have just imported a choice lot of fine braided capes, shawlettes and fichus. They sell "Mother Hubbard's" raglans, warranted all wool, for $5.

Forves & Wallace, Springfield, offer fifty pieces French all wool albatross and Nun's veiling, 44 inches wide, in desirable colors, at 37½c. This has been selling at 65 and 75 cents per yard.

R. Breck & Co.'s of the Goodyear Rubber Store, Springfield, show the largest stock of rubber goods in the city. They have gentlemen's outfits, ladies' gossamer water-proof cloaks, and small rubber goods for infants and physicians' use. They have a complete line of garden hose; also the largest stock of gent's hats in the city. They are opening this week a fine stock of gent's straw hats.

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O. P. Allen and O. J. Winslow will refund the price paid if Acker's Blood Elixir does not relieve any skin or blood disorder. A new, but thoroughly tested discovery. cow 1y 1

IT IS BUT A MERE INVESTMENT OF FIFTY CENTS.—If it cures you are willing to pay it; if not, you have but to say so and have your money refunded. Rice & Co's Electic Liniment cures cramps in the stomach and bowels, inflammation, burns, diphtheria, etc. For sale at C. E. BLOOD'S Drug Store, Ware. 3

O. P. Allen and O. J. Winslow state that indigestion prepares every one for disease, but guarantee Acker's Dyspepsia Tablets to cure all forms of indigestion. cow 1y 1

Oh, how beautiful it makes the complexion! For eruptions, Lady Camelia's Secret of Beauty is superior to soap or liniments. Price 50 cents. At Allen's Pharmacy. (3) 4w37

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A fact: That Fay's Shoe Store has the largest stock of fine and medium boots and shoes in Springfield. 8w2

Everybody Knows It.

When you have the Itch, Salt Rheum, Galls, or Skin Eruption of any kind, and the Piles, that you know without being told of it. G. L. Hitchcock, Palmer, G. L. Keeney, Monson, and C. E. Blood, Ware, the druggists, will sell you Dr. Bosanko's Pile Remedy for 50 cents, which is a sure cure for either of the above diseases. 1y15eow

An Eye to Business.

O. P. Allen, the druggist, is always wide-awake to business and spares no pains to secure the best of every article in his line. He has secured the agency for Kemp's Balsam for Consumption, Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, and all affections of the throat and lungs. Sold on a positive guarantee. Price 50 cents and $1.00. Trial size free. cow17

Cause of Failure.

Want of confidence accounts for half of the business failures of to-day. G. L. Hitchcock, Palmer, G. L. Keeney, Monson, and C. E. Blood, Ware, the druggists, are not liable to fail for want of confidence in Dr. Bosanko's Cough and Lung Syrup, for they give away a bottle free to all who are suffering with coughs, colds, asthma, consumption, and all affections of the throat and lungs. 1y15eow

Take 15 Cents,

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At Palmer, 9th, a son to ERIC ANDERSON.
At Palmer, 12th, a son to ERIC WALBERG.
At Palmer, 13th, a son (weight 9 pounds) to JOHN and HELEN A. FERRELL.
At Palmer, 14th, a daughter to L. W. CARYL.
At Palmer, 14th, a son to WM. BENWAY.
At Palmer, 14th, a son to JAMES JOY.
At Palmer, 15th, a daughter to HENRY THAYER.
At Brimfield, 12th, a daughter to ARTHUR STEBBINS.

MARRIED.

At Palmer, 14th, by Rev. Pleasant Hunter, Jr., ELISHA E. NEWELL of Palmer and LILLIE A. THAYER of Chesterfield.
At Boodsville, 14th, by Rev. George H. Clarke, FREDERICK A. CANTERBURY and EMMA J. SNELL.
At Monson, 1st, by Rev. Alexander Dight, EVERETT S. ROBBINS and LILLA M. CROSBY, both of Monson.
At Ware, 8th, by Rev. B. V. Stevenson, WILLARD H. BARNES and CLARA E. BARNES, both of Hardwick.
At Belchertown, 12th, by Rev. S. G. Hastings, HENRY KNOWLTON and Miss MADDLEWORTH.

DIED.

At Three Rivers, 13th, JOHN CLOUGH, 68.
At Ware, 13th, CLARA A., 25, daughter of Wm. C. Marsh.
At Warren, 9th, WILLIAM F. GILBERT, 71.
At Brimfield, 8th, RUTH B., 87, widow of Benjamin Sherman.
At Brimfield, 15th, AUGUSTA E. BACON, 37.
At Wilbraham, 9th, SARAH W., 65, widow of A. H. Putnam.
At Pelham, 5th, EMELINE, 69, wife of Albert Firman.
At Paris, France, 6th, CHARLES C. WARREN, 64, a native of Brimfield.

TO RENT.—A tenement on Fox Avenue, belonging to the heirs of the late Mrs. Owen. 1w7* Inquire of C. N. COLEMAN.

LOST—Saturday evening, May 10, between Main and Pleasant streets, a striped Brocade Shawl. The finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving it at Calvin Porter's. 1w7*

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The following named officers, elected at the annual meeting of this corporation May 7th, 1884, have taken the oath of the office to which they were elected, to wit: C. H. Merrick, President; R. S. Munn and C. W. Holmes, Jr., Vice Presidents; E. F. Morris, Clerk; C. H. Merrick, R. S. Munn, C. W. Holmes, Jr., Alfred Norcross, S. F. Cushman, R. M. Reynolds, D. W. Ellis, E. F. Morris, W. S. Nichols, Charles Fowler, D. G. Potter, F. E. Morris and C. H. McMaster, Trustees. The names of the Financial Committee are as follows: C. H. Merrick, R. S. Munn, C. W. Holmes, Jr., and Alfred Norcross.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.—HAMPDEN, ss. Probate Court.—To the heirs-at-law, and others interested in the estate of Sabra M. Lemon, late of Wilbraham, in said county, deceased, Greeting:

Whereas, Edwin F. Lemon, administrator of the estate of said deceased, has presented to said court his petition for license to sell the whole of the real estate of said deceased for the payment of debts and charges of administration, and for other reasons set forth in said petition:

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be holden at Springfield, in said county, on the first Tuesday of June next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, against the same.

And said administrator is ordered to serve this citation by publishing the same once a week, three weeks successively, in the Palmer Journal, a newspaper published at Palmer, the last publication to be two days at least before said Court.

Witness, William S. Shurtleff, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twelfth day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four.

3w7 SAMUEL B SPOONER, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.—HAMPDEN, ss. PROBATE COURT.—To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Franklin Stebbins, late of Palmer, in said county, deceased, Greeting:

Whereas, a certain instrument, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, has been presented to said Court, for probate, by Malvina A. Dill, of said Palmer, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her the executrix therein named, and that she may be exempt from giving a surety on her official bond as such executrix,

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Springfield, in said county of Hampden, on the first Tuesday of June next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, against the same.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once a week, for three successive weeks, in the newspaper called the Palmer Journal, published at Palmer, the last publication to be two days, at least, before said court.

Witness, William S. Shurtleff, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this thirteenth day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four.

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If they hadn't just been told,
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TOBACCO—A PARABLE.

Then shall the kingdom of Satan be likened to a grain of tobacco seed; which, though exceeding small, being cast into the ground, grew, and became a great plant, and spread its leaves rank and broad so that huge and vile worms formed a habitation thereon. And it came to pass, in the course of time, that the son of man looked upon it and thought it beautiful to look upon, and much to be desired to make lads look big and manly. So they did put forth their hands and did chew thereof. Some it made sick, and others to vomit most filthily. and it farther came to pass that those who chewed it became weak and unmanly, and said we are enslaved, and can't cease from chewing it. And the mouths of all that were enslaved became foul; and they were seized with a violent spitting; and they did spit, even in ladies' parlors, and in the house of the lord of Hosts. And the saints of the Most High were greatly plagued thereby. And in the course of time it came to pass that others snuffed it; and they were taken suddenly with fits, and they did sneeze with a great and mighty sneeze, insomuch that their eyes filled with tears, and they did look exceeding silly. And yet others wrought the leaves thereof into rolls and did set fire to the one end thereof, and did suck vehemently at the other end thereof, and did look very grave and calf-like, and the smoke of their torment ascended up forever and forever.

And the cultivation thereof became a great and mighty business in the earth; and the merchantmen waxed rich by the commerce thereof. And it came to pass that even the saints of the Most High defiled themselves therewith; even the poor who could not buy shoes, nor bread, nor books for the little ones, spent their money for it. And the Lord was greatly displeased therewith, and said: "Wherefore this waste; why do these little ones lack bread and shoes and books? Turn now your fields into corn and wheat; and put this evil thing far from you: and defile not yourselves any more; and I will bless you and cause my face to shine upon you."

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I will paint you again, rumseller,
I will paint you as you stand
With a foaming glass of liquor,
Holding in either hand.
He wavers, but you urge him:
"Drink! pledge me just this one!"
And he lifts the glass and drains it,
And the hellish work is done.

And next I will paint a drunkard;
Only a year has flown,
But into this loathsome creature
The fair young boy has grown.
The work was quick and rapid;
I will paint him as he lies
In a torpid, drunken slumber
Under the winter skies.

I will paint the form of a mother,
As she kneels at her darling's side—
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Than all the world beside,
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With this, Square Pettigrew set down the butt end of his cart whip on the floor with a thud as if to nail his doctrine in.

'Well, Brother Pettigrew,' meekly replied Deacon Jones, 'there we differ; 'pears to me we ain't none of us so good but what we might be a sight better, if we be church members; and for one I must say them sermons o' Mr. Ring's are searchin'; they open up things. I begin to see I ha'n't livin' up to my privileges, nohow.'

Joe Dunning emptied his mouth of its habitual quid, and looked up with a humorous twinkle in his light, hazel eye. He was the village satirist, and as he got up and held out his hand to Squire Pettigrew, a look of amused expectation went around the circle of five or six gathered about the stove.

'Shake hands, Squire! Shake hands! I'm proud to lay hold onto a man that knows more'n St. Paul did. I didn't know as Thompson had sech a gifted individooal into't.'

The squire started, but did not extend his hand an inch. 'Psho!' he said, 'how you talk! I didn't set up, nor I never did, to know more'n Scripture; 'u you know it.'

'Hand me a Bible won't ye, Mr. Flint?' And the storekeeper handed a dusty volume off one of the high shelves to Joe Dunning, who opened it and ran over a few leaves with his eye. 'Knew I wa'nt mistaken, but seein' I'm one o' the outsiders, I thought I'd have the chapter and varse for't. Every one of these here epistles Poll writ, is writ to individooal christians, and Hebrews is to folks of another religion, another church, ye may say; James, and Peter, and John and Jude, foller right along in the same track; and if I reck'lect rightly what my old mother used to read about, ther's lots about strengthnin' on 'em in the faith, exhortin' on 'em to walk uprightly, to justify their callin' and make sure of their 'lection, and keep from fallin'. Parson King 'pears to hev consider'ble example to do what he's a doin' now, ha'n't he?'

'Wall, I guess if you read up the gospels, which is the main thing, you'll find Christ preached to sinners, mostly, I guess you can't go back on that,' stiffly answered the Squire.

'Wall, that's so; but if you rec'lect, there wan't no great of a christian church in them days; what there was I believe He did exhort considerable; 'pears to me He said a good deal to the 'postles themselves. Now I think since you have come to't, that sinners had ought to be preached to, and the church, too; that seems to be what He done!'

'Looks es if some church members these times wasn't four miles off from bein' sinners,' growled a deep voice from behind the stove.

'Now look a here, Steve Hurlbert!' retorted Mr. Pettigrew, angrily; 'you're one of them that makes the nateral faults of perfessors an umbrell to keep off your own dooties from peltin' of ye; I don't say but what everybody has faults, but we calc'late to overcome 'em by the help of grace, and you don't never try to.'

'I donno's I do; but if I did I gess grace would have most as hard a wrastle for me as it does for you, squire!' was the rough reply, echoed by loud laughter.

'Well!' choked Squire Pettigrew, 'I'm a poor miserable sinner—'

'So ye be, so ye be!' mumbled an old man, coming from the back of the store. 'I'll swar to it, square, on the spot. I bought a bar'l of greenin's of ye a spell back. Apples is dreadful plenty, but we hadn't no greenin's, and wife, she sets by that sort awfully; I paid ye market price for sound apples; and right in the middle of the bar'l there was mor'n a half bushel of uarly, little, wormy apples that wasn't skace good enough for my pigs. Apples is wuth a dollar a bar'l this year, the best on em; and you cheated me to save your pocket about fifteen cents all told. When I see them apples, I sez to wife, sez I, that's christianity, ain't it? And wife, she set right down and cried. She's a real one; She don't need no preaching to. But I swow! the more Parson King talks to such as you be the better for ye!'

Square Pettigrew turned away and walked out of the store.

'You hit him fair and square, Simmons,' said Joe Dunning, rather gravely.

'Well, I meant to. Now you fellers like to have your talk, and I don't blame ye; but it's more of a matter to me. My wife, she is a real saint, accordin' to what I call saints. I don't mean one of the talking sort; she's one of the doing kind. There aiu't uothing that woman lays her hands to but what she does it up thorough. She don't get mad with the children and slap 'em around. Th're contrary and pernickity and hateful enough, Lord knows; but she only grieves about it, and talks to 'em so moderate and loving-like, they fairly get shamed out of their tricks; and they've growd up, boys and all, to think there's no place like hum, and nobody like mother. She's allus a thinking of other folks' rights and wants and forgetting her own; and she makes our old barn of a house as cheersome and pleasant as any s'loon ye ever see, and I ha'nt no call to go nowhere of an evening for a warm, kindly sort of a place to set down and lay up my legs in. I'm almost a mind to be a christian myself when I see how it works with her and some other folks here in Thompson. I feel sorter uneasy to think how she keeps praying for me. She ha'nt no need to; livin' like her'n is enough.'

'Mebbe, Brother Simmons, her prayin' helps her livin'; there ain't never no grass without rain, you know,' said Deacon Jones.

'Well, mebbe 'tis so; you'd ought ter know, Deacon,' answered the old man, with a kindly look at the deacon, which was reflected in every eye.

'But it comes hum to me, I tell ye when I see a man like Squire Pettigrew, the meanest cuss there is in Thompson, screwin' his folks down to the lowest line they can starve on' and cheatin' them that he calls neighbors, and then making pretense of sech piousness and godly livin', and throwin' blocks in the way of a real earnest, strivin' feller like Parson King, 'cos he don't allus go in for sech, but wants folks to grow to be like Him that was the best, and then takes up doctrines if they want to. Why, it 'pears to me the squire's a sinner jest as much if he is a church member. Ye see, wife, she allers reads a chapter to the children, every night; she has ever sense the first one was big enough to listen. I used to go to sleep in my chair at first, and I 'spect she thinks I do now, but I ha'nt this good many year. I got kinder curus to see what 'twas in the Bible she set such store by. Well, now, I tell ye, that Bible beats all for what folks call common sense; and it lays down, plain as daylight at noon spell, that christians is folks that act like Christ. Why I've got an apple-tree on my hill lot, a good lookin', growin' tree, that blossoms out, come springtime, with the biggest, beautifulest blossoms ever ye see; there ain't another sich blowth on the hull farm; but come to bearin' time it ha'nt got nothin' to show but the sneakiest kind of native apples; they ain't fit for cider. Now that tree ain't a good one. How d'ye know? Why, by the use on't. Apple trees that's all blow is like folks that's all talk and perfesshun; you'e got to see what it comes to 'fore you know if it's wuth havin'. Now, that's just exactly what Scripter says: "A tree is known by its fruits," and long as I've list'ued to Almiry's readin' I hant never heard nothin' at all about believin' in doctrines and makin' perfesshuns bein' the way to be saved; it keeps a sayin' "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ," and then "Love thy neighbor as thyself." So far as I sense it, that's gospel. Christ is the beginning and the end on't; b'lievin' in Him to save you, and then tryin' to be like Him 'cos He's been so good to you, you naturally want to do suthin' to please Him.'

Mr. King came at this moment from the further end of the store, where he had listened attentively to the controversy. 'Mr. Simmons,' he said, 'I thank you heartily for your sermon; it couldn't have been better; and there is only one conclusion left which you have forgotten. Can't you believe on the Lord Jesus Christ?'

The old farmer drew his rough hand across his eyes, turned his head and walked out of the store. He could not say anything, but his wife found him on his knees when she went into their bedroom that night, and though she, too, was speechless she knelt down beside him, and silently thanked her Master. The rest of that audience in the store dropped the subject, and went their various ways.

Squire Pettigrew, when he left them, finished his errands in the village, untied his old horse, scrambled into the pung and went his way homeward. It was a splendid December night; the hills about Thompson were clothed with dazzling levels of snow, even the road lay white before him, and overhead the dark blue sky was set thick with golden sparks; Orion marched above the eastern hill-tops, and the bright evening planet just rested on the summit of White Ledge, a tir-crowned precipice above the valley where Thompsonville rested.

But Squire Pettigrew did not notice the fair creation about him. He was very uneasy; never before had his own conduct been set up before him in this fashion. Like all the rest of us, he had excused his own sins with the sophistry of sinners, and smoothed his own feathers by contrasted himself with people who did not even pretend to be good. He was a man of small intellect and less heart, but with an educated conscience which he owed to his birth in New England, and subsequent home education. The economy necessary to a poor farmer had with him degenerated into a furious greed for money; not to spend, not to enjoy, not to give to those who had it not, but to hoard, to invest, to increase, to plume himself upon secretly, and to elate himself in the eyes of the little world about him, that he might be called forehanded, thrifty, prosperous, perhaps in time to be sent to the legislature. He meant to go to heaven; would it be heavenly to him unless it was a place where he could increase his store and lay up a treasure that was tangible?

As he rode along to-night he felt hurt and angry; he had for one flashing instant seen himself as others saw him, and his self-love writhed at the spectacle. But with all his faults he was honest at heart; but he had deceived himself so gradually that, like a man losing his eyesight, he had long been unaware of his darkness. As he rode on under the solemn illumination of God, with bare wastes of cold and steep hills stretching on either hand, some power that was outside his angry consciousness, seemed to say, 'Can these things be?' And the awakening integrity within him dared not answer.

Slowly the tired old horse jogged up the long hillsides. The very gait of the creature, his gaunt outline and rough hide, told of poor feeding and little care; but the man behind him did not listen to the creaking snow, the dull sound of heavy hoofs, the intermittent jingle of the rusty bell. His head was full of texts that crowded and swarmed into his brain with the celerity and sting of a swarm of bees.

Squire Pettigrew read the Bible aloud a great deal, officially, you might say. He read it to his Sunday school class, and held long controversies with them about the meaning of Melchesdec and his brief history; the sins of Job; the Levitical laws; and certain dubious opinions concerning election; the unpardonable sin; the duty of Christians concerning the matter of worldly amusements, and whether Paul really knew Onesimus was black. He also read it at family prayers every day. It was not love for its wonderful lovliness and lofty beauty, but because he had thought it a duty; but yet he read it, and now the dull page of his memory glowed under such a light as struck down Saul on his way to Damascus, and showed him such words as these:

'Love your enemies;' 'Give to every man that asketh of thee;' 'A good tree bringeth forth not corrupt fruit;' 'Some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it and choked it;' 'So is he that layeth up treasures for himself and is not rich before God;' 'When thou makest a feast, call the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind;' 'Believe Me for the work's sake;' 'Herein is my Father glorified, that ye shall bear much fruit;' and it seemed to him a hundred others of the like sort.

Like one in a dream he reached the door of his barn, put the horse out, fed it, went into the house, conducted prayers and went to bed, a little more silent than usual, for he never was a genial or agreeable man in his home, and his wife thought to-night something had gone wrong with him, so she hushed up the children, packed them off up stairs, and worn out with her day of hard work, fell asleep at once herself. But sleep did not come to the Squire. He got out of bed and walked up and down the kitchen floor all night in angry tumult of thought; what he thought no man knew till months after, when one night before a camp-meeting, Parson King laid before them the names of some desiring admission to their ranks at the next communion, among these was old Mr. Simmons. Brother Pettigrew rose from his seat and said:

'Brethering, I feel as though I ought ter put my name into that list. I honestly thought I was a Christian till a little stun from Brother Simmons's sling found a j'nt in my armor, and fetched me to the ground and the Lord wrestled mightily with my sperrit; I see that I was in the gall of bitterness that night, and I hain't had no rest till I could give up the old man and put on the new, and I hope the Lord has done that for me. I humbly hope I've saw the errors of my way, and turned about. Brethering, I hain't been no Christian; I don't want ye to think so. I've been a kind of onknowing hypocrite, and my hope's perished; but I've got a new one, and I want you should receive a dreadful sinner among you again, and help you try to be like the Master.'

The meeting broke down. Parson King grasped both hands of Squire Pettigrew, and made a prayer no one in those four walls ever forgot. And the rest of the brethren crowded round to shake hands in silent feeling.

Squire Pettigrew is a fair tree in the Lord's garden now, and bears fruit in its season; but he does like to hear Parson King preach to the church, for he says: 'We greatly need it, all of us.'

JUST THE KIND.—"Well Jakey, I hear you are going to get married. Is it so?"

"Yes, to be course it is."

"Who are you going to marry?"

"Jane Meters."

"Why, she's old, Jakey, and also homely."

"That's just the kind I want. I want 'em old so they'll know somethin', and homely so they'll stay at home."—*Kentucky State Journal.*

"Is you gwine to get an overcoat this winter?" asked a darkey of a companion. "Well, I dunno how dat's gwine to be," was the reply; "I'se done got my eye on a coat, but de fellah dat owns it keeps his eye on it too."

"What does the word 'pedigree' mean, John?" "It means 'descent.'" "Write a sentence on the board containing that word." John went up and chalked off the following: "We *pedigreed* down the hill."—*Harper's Bazar.*

"Do you want the ring fourteen or eighteen carat?" said the jeweler to the customer. "Just as you please. This is the third woman I've married, and I ain't very particularly.

House Cleaning.

Taking down the pictures,
Dusting off the wall—
"Not at home this morning.
Should there be a call."

Toast and eggs for breakfast—
Things turned upside down—
Wife and girl a jawing—
Husband skips for town.

Taking up the carpet—
Tacks and dust for lunch—
Boy, for asking questions,
Gets from ma a punch.

Washing off the windows—
Doors all open—wide;
She with pail and dust-pan
Used to be my bride.

No fire in the furnace—
Bell goes on a ring—
"Cleaning house to-day, m'm.
First day of the spring."

Night! a doctor calling—
Wife done up in bed,
Husband scoots for drug store;
Clerk asks who is dead.

Night reporter's item;
"Coroner had a ring
For a man found floating—
First one of the spring."

Verdict of the jury—
Foreman, sly old mouse—
"Suicide from torment,
Caused by cleaning house."

FASHION NOTES.

Quantities of lace bunting will be worn at the seaside.

Ribbed silks jerseys are the latest form of this popular jacket.

Velvet waistcoats are the correct wear with ribbed jerseys.

Jerseys of ribbed silk frequently have lace stripes between the ribs.

Large flower designs appear on the latest importations of linen lawns.

The poke of Valenciennes or Oriental lace is the bonnet to wear with lace and muslin dresses.

Corsage bouquets for the incoming week are of spring blossoms of various kinds, all in one jardiniere bunch.

It costs only $7 to buy a novelty in the form of a garden hat made of colored mull and trimmed with Oriental laces.

Breakfast caps—combinations of lace and velvet of all colors—are to be worn with watering place breakfast toilets.

Shoulder capes of gray lace, trimmed with steel beads, price only $20, are worn effectively with gray, pink, blue or black silk dresses.

American manufacturers are producing the finest satin corsets at $3.89 apiece that cannot be distinguished from the $10 French corsets.

Many skirts of silk and bronche are cut into tabs of various forms at the bottom with thickly gathered or pleated ruches of plain silk set on underneath to make them set out.

Pleated skirts of all kinds, fine, medium, accordion, round, box, fan, shell, and organ pipe, clustered, reversed, and sometimes with each end slashed and turned up to form a loop, are much worn.

Linen lawns have both dark and light grounds, pale blues, grays, pinks, and dull greens, and also pure white, on which are scattered big blossoms, clusters of fruits, Indian and Persian designs, and rustic scenes and figures in miniature.

The diversity of straw bonnets this season passes description. There are smooth, rough and twisted straws, fine and coarse braids, glace and chine, and star and flower figured and lace straws, masterpieces of manufacture, and in colors so varied and beautiful as to fill artistic souls with pleasure.—*N. Y. Sun.*

A cat caught a marten and ate it for breakfast. The other martens having nests near the house saw the feathers on Tom's nose, or in some way found out the murder. Three birds swooped angrily down on Tom, pecked him on the head with all their might, rose and darted at him again, and so quite confused him. Tom tried to catch them, but they were too spry. Then off they flew, but in a minute or two returned with about a dozen others, and the way those martens punished Tom was a caution to cats. For nearly an hour he scorned to run, but they finally used him so hard that he crawled under the stoop, one of the birds getting a peck at his tail as he disappeared. He did not show himself on the lawn again for two days, and when he did he found that the revenge of the birds had not cooled one bit. Tom had a sister that looked so much like him the two could scarcely told apart, but the birds knew the difference and never molested the cat that was innocent. Tom had to skulk about and miss the sunshine, with time to reflect on his bad deed.

An Austin gentleman who had lost one of his children was presented with a bill for payment. "I see by your bill that you charge $20 for ten visits while you were treating my child," he remarked. "Certainly; $2 is the usual price for a visit," responded the doctor. "Yes, but man alive, the child was under ten years of age. I could have got her into a circus for half price."—*Texas Siftings.*

There is a dreadful rumor abroad that Barnum has purchased the Bartholdi statue and will place it on a chariot drawn by thirty-five elephants. To what "base" uses may a statue come at last, after being unable to secure a base! But we don't believe Barnum would take such liberties with Liberty.—*Norristown Herald.*

"Yes," said the doctor, "you are certainly threatened with scarlet fever." "What shall I do? what shall I do?" she moaned in great distress. "O doctor! couldn't you throw it into some other kind of fever? Scarlet is so trying to my complexion.

The best way to discipline one's heart against scandal is to believe all stories to be false which ought not to be true.

Aim to be in all things acceptable to God, and you need trouble yourself but little about the opinions of man.

ESSAY ON SPRING.

Spring is the time for sewing. In the city, women sew shirts at forty-five cents per dozen. In the city, also, the wicked sow tares and reap tears. And everywhere in the springtime men sow the wind and reap the whirlwind. Spring is a season much sung about by poets. It is a season that moves people—especially about the first of May. It is the season for raising things. The first thing generally raised in the spring is—the rent. After that comes spring radishes and greens. Insects also come in the spring. The mosquito consults his ledger and makes out his bills for the summer. Earwigs lay in a fresh supply of legs. Domestic and household insects resuscitate themselves and crawl and bite in their little beds. All nature stirs. Spring also stirs up the theatrical combinations and menageries. The trained beasts and animals of all sorts prepare to take the road. The tramp dreams of fresh fields and pastures new and lone farm houses where he may find the women unprotected making strawberry shortcake. Spring comes every year. It brings new clothes to some and new fashions to all—if they can afford them. Usually it brings more clothes than people can afford to follow. Yet spring brings with it the old clothes people have worn all last winter and possibly the winter previous. These can be turned and dyed and made over, we will not say into new clothes, but into the semblance of the new.

DO CROWS KNOW WHEN IT IS SUNDAY?

A large number of crows were foraging for food quite close to the house of a farmer. They were unusually bold, as though hunger had driven them to forget their usual shyness and distrust of their natural enemy—man. Two of them lit close to the back door, and picked up the crumbs with a seeming assurance of their safety not easily accounted for.

The farmer was telling a neighbor about the tameness of the birds, and the latter remarked, "You won't see them so foolhardy to-morrow." "Why not to-morrow as well as to-day?" was the answer. "Because to-day is Sunday, and these crows know it. They know that one day in seven they are not popped at by boys and men. They can count, crows can, and they know that on the seventh day they are exempt from persecution." "Do you believe such stuff as that!" "Of course I do. I used to live near a swamp where thousands of crows made their roosting-place, and early in the morning they used to start for the mountains for their food. And I was often out with my gun trying to get a shot at them. Week days they beat shy of me, and I could seldom get a shot at them but on Sunday morning it was different. Then they would fly low down and close to my house, their wings almost flapping the ridge-boards of house and barns. Do crows know when it is Sunday? Of course they do."

SELFISHNESS.

No single individual can ever rise so high in the scale of intelligence and morals, when those around him are not also rising, as he can when they are. He can accomplish much for himself by energy, culture, and will, but not all. So clearly is he related to his family, his friends, his city, his nation, that all the sufferings they endure, all the sins they commit, and all the ignorance under which they labor must, in greater or less degree, react as a drag upon his progress and a barrier upon his happiness. In this light there is no policy so poor as selfishness. It destroys its own ends by following them solely. He who seeks exclusively his own interests will never find them, for they lie not in the path he is pursuing. Duty to others and an enlightened self-love teach the same lessons. We cannot neglect ourselves without injuring others; we cannot neglect others without injuring ourselves. The great problem is to so order our lives and conduct as to sweep away the apparent conflict and recognize the real harmony that exists. When the interests of the individual and those of the community are no more separated in thought and deed than they are in reality, then will the truest, surest, most permanent progress of humanity ensue.

NOT LIFE.

The mere lapse of years is not life. To eat and drink and sleep, to be exposed to darkness and the light, to pace around in the mill of habit and turn the wheel of wealth, to make reason our book-keeper, to turn thought into an implement of trade—that is not life. In all this but a poor fraction of the consciousness of humanity is awakened, and the sanctities still slumber, which make it most worth while to be. Knowledge, truth, love, beauty, goodness, faith alone can give vitality to the mechanism of existence; the laugh of mirth that vibrates through the heart, the tears that freshen the dry wastes within, the music that brings childhood back, the prayer that calls the future near, the doubt that makes us meditate, the death which startles us with mystery, the hardship that forces us to struggle, the anxiety that ends in trust, are the true nourishment of our natural being.—*Martineau.*

"Half a loaf is better than no leisure," remarked the tramp, as he settled himself for a nap on a park bench.—*New York Life.*

Put down as soon as possible every sum which you receive or pay; and trust not to your memory.

Manner is something with everybody and everything with some.—*Bishop Middleton.*

They are never alone that are accompanied with noble thoughts.—*Sir Philip Sidney.*

Things don't "turn up" in this world until somebody turns them up.—*Garfield.*

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THE Methodist Conferance has again refused to license women to preach or exhort.

"TILDEN and Reform" is the rallying cry of the New Hampshire Democrats, and they will work on that line at the national convention.

HAMPDEN COUNTY must have a new jail —that's settled, Gov. Robinson having signed the bill requiring the county commissioners to build one.

"SAM" WARD, the well-known "King of the lobby" at Washington and a man of rare literary, artistic and social accomplishments, died in Italy on Monday, at the age of 67.

THE New York Legislature has adjourned, after a session in which much desirable legislation has been accomplished. The Massachusetts Legislature is still in full blast.

THE House at Washington has unseated Mr. Peelle, of the 7th Indiana district, and given his seat to William English, son of the Democratic candidate for vice president four years ago. It was a grossly partisan proceeding.

THERE are rumors at Washington that the administration is seriously considering the question of buying Cuba from Spain for the sum of $50,000,000. The Cuban sugar plantations would be a sweet plum, but the country don't stand in special need of any enlargement of its borders.

UMBRELLA stealing seems to be considered a serious crime in Deleware, a man recently convicted of this offence having been sentenced to pay the costs of prosecution, a fine of $6, one hour in the pillory, twenty lashes, and three years in jail. If this sort of penalty were in vogue hereabouts, Hampden county wouldn't be the only one to need a new jail. Every town would require one.

GEN. BUTLER is "willin'" to be voted for for President. Nobody supposed he was anything else than that, but least there might be a lingering doubt in the minds of some, he hastens to remove it in a letter to the secretary of the national anti-monopoly committee. He does not deem it proper to take any part in putting his name before the people, but says: "If there is any portion of the people of this country desirous to vote for me for President I shall not oppose their doing so, and they may do it in any way they see fit, for it is their business to vote as they believe, and not mine to direct them.

CONGRESS has been in session nearly six months, but has accomplished practically nothing, aside from the passing of a few appropriation bills. The House has defeated the tariff bill, and that is all it has done. The bill for a national bankruptcy law, the bills for the relief of the national banks and to regulate the electoral count, and other important measures, are refused any consideration, and it looks very much as though the Democratic majority in that body would go before the country next fall with a record for imbecility which ought to and doubless will be sufficient to bring defeat upon the party which is responsible for it.

THE presidential campaign was opened at New York Tuesday evening with a big mass meeting of business men in favor of renominating President Arthur. Henry Ward Beecher, ex-Secretary Bristow and others made addresses, and it was decided to send a committee of 100 to Chicago to attend the convention. On the morning of the meeting an exceedingly bitter letter from Wayne MacVeagh, Garfield's attorney general, to Mr. Bristow, was published, giving him "points" for his speech, in which all that has been unsavory in President Arthur's political record was brought out in the most offensive manner. The ex-Secretary replied to the letter in a dignified and effective manner; but it served to show what would have to be met in a campaign with President Arthur as a candidate for reelection.

CIVIL SERVICE REFORM is clearly unpopular with our legislators. A bill providing a very comprehensive set of rules for the government of the civil service has been before the House, which did not want to pass it and didn't quite dare defeat it. An amendment was accordingly adopted requiring the rules to be submitted to the next Legislature for its approval—a unique way of wriggling out of the dilemma. The Senate has voted to give Walter Shanly $45,000 more for his work on the Hoosac Tunnel. The close vote by which the water gas bill was defeated in this body last week after its passage seemed assured, led to a resolution for an investigation of the influences which led to the sudden change of mind of certain senators, but on Monday the Senate backed down and the order for an investigation was reconsidered. This looks doubly suspicious, and naturally excites much comment. Another order for an investigation has been adopted by the House, but it is thought the Senate will not concur. It will make a mistake if it does not clear up its honor by a prompt investigation of the charges of bribery. The double taxation bill has been defeated in the House, and the taxation committee has reported a bill practically embodying the Vermont tax law.

A queer accident happened in New York a few days ago. While a safe weighing two and one-half tons was being hoisted into a fourth story window on Broadway, a workman got his fingers drawn into the pulley block with the rope. To raise or lower the safe might have crushed his hand, and the ropes were finally cut and the safe allowed to drop in order to save the man's hand.

J. R. MORSE, who has for years lived the life of a hermit in a miserable hovel at Leominster, was found dead last Friday. He was once an extensive manufacturer, and possessed a large fortune, but squandered all in drink.

A waterspout near Leavenworth, Kan., washed away portions of the Missouri Pacific and Union Pacific railroads, wrecking a number of cars and killing 70 head of cattle in them.

THIS, THAT, AND THE OTHER.

Verily, the weigh of the coal merchant is mysterious, and past finding out.

The difference between a successful paragrapher and a successful merchant is that one always gives credit and the other does not.

By the way, what about those libel suits which several of our exchanges were favored with? Haven't heard a word about them lately.

Postal cards cost the government 54 cents and four mills a thousand. Hang the expense! Pay 55 cents and give us something we can write on without having the ink spread in 11 different directions at once.

"The Salem police will this year wear a white helmet," an exchange informs us. Salem is already having a hot time with the Salvation Army, and to go and put policemen on the force with such a scant amount of clothing as that is a little too much.

In an editorial the Canton *Journal* says: "It is a rare thing to see an intoxicated person on our streets." You are one of the lucky ones, brother. Come up here any day, and we'll show you enough drunks to make you think that a sober man is seldom seen on our streets.

You may talk about your spring poetry fiend, the man who knows how your paper ought to be run, the one who wants to see you a minute when you are busiest, and then talks to you for an hour, but the worst of the lot is the man who comes in and knocks the ashes off his cigar into the waste basket. One of them tried it on us one day this week. Should he attempt it again, we will not be responsible for what may happen.

A number of our exchanges have published items to the effect that we could look out of our window and see ten licensed saloons. Not quite so many. There were ten which applied for a license, but all did not get one; however, judging from the number of drunks which can usually be seen from our windows we should say that about two ciphers on the last end of that number would just about indicate the number who did get one.

The following items appeared in the East Boston *Argus* of last week:

We wouldn't believe a Law and Order League spotter under oath, even if he does belong to the church.

When an individual becomes so thoroughly degraded as to enter the service of the Law and Order League, in the capacity of a spotter, he is only worthy of the sewer. Guess Brother McCabe don't have a great deal of love for spotters, or the Law and Order League either, for that matter.

In 1770 the following decree was passed and registered in France under King Louis XV.:

"Whosoever, by means of red or white paint, perfumes, essences, artificial teeth, false hair, cotton wool, iron corsets, hoops, shoes with high heels, or false hips, shall seek to entice into the bands of marriage any male subject of his majesty, shall be prosecuted for witchcraft, and declared incapable of matrimony."

It's a lucky thing for the girls of this generation that King Louis' decree isn't in force at the present time, because—no, that isn't it; no doubt the girls are thanking their stars that they didn't live in the time of King Louis, for—; that don't sound just right, either; let's see: ah, now we have it, if such a thing should happen now how many of the girls of to-day would escape a trial for witchcra—pshaw! that's wrong again; what we mean is that—but perhaps we'd better not say what we mean.

The captain of the ship Louisa, who took a portion of the shipwrecked crew of the State of Florida from the Therese, has made affidavit that although he passed within a quarter of a mile of the steamer City of Rome, no attention whatever was paid to the signals made by him. It is not so very many weeks since the captain of the steamer Glaucus sailed deliberately past a wrecked vessel and paid no attention to the signals of distress, and it would seem that the commander of the City of Rome has done the same thing. When a sea captain becomes so hardened as to deliberately pass his fellow creatures on a wreck in mid-ocean with no apparent chance of rescue, the treatment which old "Flud Oirson, for his horrd horrt," received at the hands of "The women o' Morble'ed," would seem but a mild punishment.

Three tramps demanded entrance at the house of an old farmer near Annville, Pa., last Sunday night, and, on being refused, broke in the door and tied and gagged the owner and searched the house. As only $10 was found, they carried the old man to the cellar and set fire to the house. He was fatally burned before help arrived.

Final arrangements for the purchase of an Italian church at Boston has brought to light a good-sized swindle on the part of the priest, who had charge of the matter, and into whose hands large sums amounting to $30,000 were paid for the erection of the church. It is all gone, and the congregation has no means of redress.

Asahel Smith, of Turner's, N. Y., was robbed of $225 and his wife killed on their return from a concert last Friday night. He had just driven into the barn and got out of the carriage when some one fired a pistol at him. The bullet missed him, but entered his wife's spinal column, inflicting a fatal wound.

Daly's Theater, New York, came near being the scene of a dreadful panic last Friday night. The police discovered a chimney on a neighboring building to be on fire, and rushing into the theatre ordered the audience out. There was a rush for the doors, but fortunately no one was injured.

A brakeman on the Texas Central railroad, who had made himself conspicuous for some time by placing negroes in first-class coaches, was shot and instantly killed at Hempstead, Tex., Sunday morning, as he was standing in a sleeper. The shot was fired from outside.

The steamer Illyrian, from Liverpool for Boston, was wrecked off Cape Clear, Ireland, last Friday. The passengers, crew and mail were saved, and landed at Queenstown.

The repair shops of the New York and Harlem railroad company at New York were damaged to the amount of $200,000 by fire on Sunday.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

Lilacs are in bloom.

Any one asked you if it was hot yet?

About time for strawberry festivals.

Thermometer 92° in the shade yesterday.

A slight taste of hot weather this week.

Northrop's ice cart is out with a new coat of paint.

The forenoon express to Boston is quite well patronized at this station.

A good-sized company was present at the Converse House ball last Friday evening.

R. L. Goddard and wife start next Monday for a trip of several weeks to Virginia.

The farm of the late Dr. Wakefield in Leicester will be sold at auction on the 29th inst.

A train of eight cars of emigrants passed through this place last Sunday evening, bound west.

M. E. Daniels has given up traveling on the road, and will hereafter be found with Geo. L. Hitchcock.

The public library is indebted to Hugh Wright for a bound copy of that famous novel, "The Breadwinners."

The ball game at Ware last Saturday between the Clipper and Palmer clubs was postponed on account of rain.

Six drunks were seen on Main street at one time last Friday afternoon, bracing up against the buildings and awnings.

Old Probs was out with his sprinkling cart again on Tuesday. Pity that it's the only kind of one Palmer can afford.

The cards are out for the wedding, June 5th, of F. D. Barton and Miss Anna, daughter of E. Brown, both of this place.

Mrs. A. Andrews has bought of Mrs. George Holdsworth her house on Park street, just east of the school house.

The charitable committee of the Legislature, to the number of about 30, made a visit to the Primary School yesterday.

A special train ran out from Springfield Wednesday evening, to accommodate those who had been to see the Equine Paradox.

A. E. Park and Foster & Gamwell have placed water coolers in their stores, and furnish ice water free to the thirsty public.

Strawberries have arrived in the local market, and are bringing 20 cents a box, some fine berries being offered at that price.

A large force of men are engaged on the park at the depot, and in grading up the roadway from the Weeks House to that structure.

A special town meeting is called for one week from next Monday to elect an assessor in the place of John Clough, who died last week.

The hearing on the New London Northern train question, as relating to the town of Amherst, comes before the railroad committee next Tuesday.

What is the railroad going to do with the land between Main street and the tracks? is the question which a good many of our citizens would like to have answered.

An exhibition of trick roller skating and skating on stilts will be given at the Converse House hall next Tuesday evening, after which there will be a social dance.

Barnum's advertising agent was in town Tuesday adorning our bill boards with posters of the show, which will be in Springfield June 9th, two weeks from next Monday.

O. P. Allen has a number of copies of the report of the state board of agriculture, which members of the Eastern Hampden Agricultural Society can have by calling for them.

The ladies of St. Paul's parish held one of their enjoyable socials at the Nassowanno house Wednesday evening. An excellent supper was served, followed by a social dance.

The JOURNAL office will be closed next Friday, Memorial Day. Will our correspondents please take notice, and have their communications *reach us* not later than Thursday *morning*.

The skating rink will not be open to-morrow evening. Manager Baker has taken the Warren and West Warren rinks, and will probably change the evening at this place from Saturday to Wednesday in future.

Wouldn't it be a good scheme to procure some seats and an awning, place them in the vacant space between the hotels and the railroad, and reserve them for the exclusive use of those who wish to loaf on Main street of an evening?

Although Main and Church streets are in good condition in the center, the edges are still as soft as the original coating of sand can make them. Don't leave the job half done, Mr. Highway Surveyor, but fix up the edges, and leave the street as it ought to be.

Concerning our new union passenger station, the *Boston Journal* says:

"The union passenger depot at Palmer, now almost ready for use, is said to be the handsomest on the Boston and Albany line, and also to excel any depot at a station of Palmer's size in the country.

Those who receive telegraph messages in which misspelled words occur, must not lay the blame upon the operator, as by a recent rule of the Western Union company operators are obliged to send messages exactly as they are written, following the spelling, etc., closely.

The new express train to Boston seems to be well appreciated by the public, and will no doubt become a permanent thing. The evening modoc has resumed its stops at South Spencer, East Brookfield and Warren, as the late accommodation is too late to suit patrons of the road at these points.

The Grand Army post will attend the Congregational church in a body next Sunday evening, where they will listen to an address by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Hunter, after which it is expected the other clergymen of the village will speak. This change in the arrangements has been made since last week.

About four o'clock Sunday afternoon an awning over a second story window on the east side of Commercial Block was discovered to be on fire, and the woodwork over the window was also beginning to blaze up some. The fire was soon put out, with but little damage beyond the burning of the cloth of the awning. It is supposed to have caught from a cigar being dropped upon it from the window above.

Calvin Porter astonished the natives on Wednesday by bringing in a wagon box load of horned pouts, which he had captured, and those who happened along at that time got all they wanted. He got them at the brook near Palmer Center, and caught them by stooping down and throwing them out of the brook with his hands. This may sound like a fish story, but it is vouched for by good authority. He says the water was fairly black with them.

The indications now are that there will be a large amount of building done in Palmer this season. A number of buildings have already been put up, many are in process of erection, and more are to be built. Michael Dockery is building a house on the northeast corner of Park and Bridge streets, and Charles Robinson one on the southwest corner. J. W. Shanks will build a house on the corner of Pleasant and School streets some time this season, and Mrs. Brainard will do the same on her recently purchased lot on Park street.

To a stranger who visits our village and passes along Main street in the evening, it must seem as if the town had never heard of such a thing as a constable or police officer. Every night, as soon after work hours as supper can be eaten, a crowd of loafers congregates, and remains until a late hour, or so long as any one is upon the streets. The principal "hanging out place" is in front of the Nassowanno House block, but they gather at all points between Central and Thorndike streets, stand on the sidewalk to talk, and inconvenience passers-by to a great extent, often compelling ladies to step off the sidewalk in order to get past them. What the village needs, and that at once, is a night police, to be on duty from 6 to 11 or 12, who shall see to it that the sidewalks are kept clear of loafers, and ladies given a chance to pass along Main street in the evening without being obliged to elbow their way through the crowd, or being insulted by some drunken fellow. Such a police could no doubt be obtained at a reasonable rate, and the JOURNAL will head a subscription list with a good sum if others will follow. Now let us see if the business men of the village are alive to their interests.

LIVELY RUNAWAY—NARROW ESCAPE.

There was quite an exciting runaway in the village Tuesday afternoon, the first for many months. A Mr. Anderson, living just beyond the North Factory, in Monson, came to Palmer and left his horse hitched at the stone wall back of the depot. When Barnum's advertising car passed through on the 4.33 train, the tooting of the steam calliope so alarmed him that he broke away and ran. Running up the walk toward the Nassowanno block, he took the sidewalk, and proceeded along that, smashing the awnings of Foster & Gamwell and Child's shoe store, to Walnut street, where he overtook F. N. Shepard, who was just returning from a trip with a customer. The carriage was overturned and both men thrown out, but fortunately neither was hurt, though the vehicle was rather the worse for the encounter, three wheels being smashed, and the box split, beside other breaks. Both horses were stopped at Marcy's stable. A young son of Landlord Beverly of the Converse House, about six years old, who was standing on the corner of Walnut and Main streets when the animal came along the sidewalk, was knocked down, and the report at once spread that he had been killed, but by a miracle, almost, he escaped with only a bad fright. That no one was killed, seems a wonder, as the sidewalk along which the horse passed was full of children when he commenced to run.

MEMORIAL DAY.

The Grand Army post, in the following order, gives the programme for Memorial Day, which is one week from to-day. We hope the suggestions offered will be followed, and that a general observance of the day will be had by our citizens.

Headquarters, L. L. Merrick Post 107, G. A. R.
PALMER, May 19th, 1884.

General Order No. 1.

In compliance with General Order No. 10, National Headquarters Grand Army of the Republic, this post will observe May 30th the beautiful and appropriate custom of strewing with flowers the last resting places of our departed comrades.

This is the day of all the year most hallowed to us; the day on which we gladly leave the routine of our daily avocations and illustrate again our loyalty to the memory of our deceased comrades, by gathering at the "bivouacs of the dead" and standing over the heroic dust of those whose unselfish patriotism and devotion to principle kept this people a nation and enforced the decree of freedom issued by the sainted Lincoln, perform the sadly pleasant duties of decoration peculiar to our order. In the observance of Memorial Day the Grand Army of the Republic not only shows that it remembers with gratitude and love those of our comrades who died that the nation might live, but it also teaches the youth of our land lessons of patriotism and devotion to duty which caused the men of 1861 to offer up their lives on the altar of their country.

The comrades of this post are requested to assemble at Palmer at 8.30 o'clock a. m., and proceed to the cemetery at Three Rivers and decorate the graves there, thence to those at Four Corners and Thorndike, and then to Palmer cemetery, after which a collation will be served at St. Paul's church dining rooms to the post and invited guests. At 2 o'clock an address will be delivered at Wales Hall by Capt. F. D. Lincoln.

We would respectfully ask that on that day every place of business be closed, that every veteran be found in the ranks, that the merchant and the manufacturer, who owe so much to the veterans of the Rebellion, show their personal interest by their presence; that every class of citizens swell the procession as it takes its way to the various cemeteries. Let the children of all ages be there, and learn anew the lessons of patriotism which no other day in the year can teach and emphasize so effectually.

Comrades, let us all remember that it is particularly *our day*; that for the influence it leaves behind very much depends upon ourselves, and that if we show by our conduct that it is a day sacred to hallowed memories and free from the excesses which have sometimes marked its observance, we shall surely exert an influence which it was designed to have—a day not only for remembering the comrades who are mustered out, but a time to care for those left behind who need our assistance. By order of

D. W. TAFT, Commander.
J. H. SMITH, Post Adjutant.

The New Union Passenger Station.

NEARLY READY FOR OCCUPANCY—A DESCRIPTION OF THE BUILDING.

The new depot at this place is nearly ready to move into, and a brief description of it will no doubt prove of interest to our readers.

Work was commenced upon the structure about May 15th, 1883, was discontinued July 18th, and commenced again August 17th, from which time it has continued uninterruptedly to its completion.

Situated in the angle between the two roads, the building is in the shape of a right-angled triangle, having a length of 130 feet on the B. & A. tracks, 143 feet on the N. L. N. tracks, and a base of 77 feet.

The main entrances of the building are in the broad end between the roads, and entering the one nearest the B. & A. track we find ourselves in a short hall, which leads directly into the main waiting room. At the right, in the northeast corner of the building, is a smoking room and gentlemen's toilet, while at the left is the room to be occupied as a ticket office by both roads, with its window opening directly into the waiting room. Just beyond the ticket office is the other main entrance, to the left of which, in the southeast corner of the building is the New London Northern baggage room, opening directly upon the platform. We now enter the main waiting room, which occupies the center of the building between the two roads, and is about 40 by 50 feet, with skylight overhead, making a light, roomy and comfortable place in which to await the arrival of a train. There are three other and smaller entrances to this room, one on the New London Northern side, and two on the Boston & Albany side. The Western Union telegraph office occupies a glass room on the Boston & Albany side, the ladies' toilet rooms are at the southwest corner of the room, while the restaurant counter extends across the west end. An elegant drinking fountain of Tennessee marble graces the south side of the room, opposite the telegraph office. The room devoted to refreshment purposes is a large one, with a kitchen and pantry back of it, while still further beyond these, in the extreme west end of the building, situated where both tracks can be seen in either direction, are the rooms for the station agents of the two roads. In the east end of the building, over the ticket office, are the conductors' rooms.

About 35 feet east of the main structure a separate room has been built for the baggage of the Boston & Albany road, which, while it is out of the way in passing from one road to the other, is situated most convenient for passengers who are obliged to make close or hasty connections from one road to the other. A covered platform, 20 feet wide extends entirely around the building, being about 300 feet long on the New London Northern side, and about 400 feet on the Boston & Albany side, with an extension of 100 feet on the east end which is uncovered.

At the east end of the B. & A. baggage room, facing the passage from one road to the other, is the railing behind which the hackmen and porters must stand on the arrival of trains.

Although the building perhaps may not be classified as belonging to any particular style of architecture, it certainly has a very picturesque external appearance, which is heightened by the promiscuous use of the several shades of the Monson granite, which are worked in at random for the entire external walls, using for the trimming around the windows and the doors the dark reddish brown stone of Longmeadow. This seems to afford variety sufficient, and would to some people render its very plainness a principal mark of its beauty. The interior finish seems to have been designed with the view of durability, inasmuch as the most imperishable materials of their several kinds have been used. The principal rooms have a wainscoting five to six feet high, laid up with pressed brick. This might at first strike the visitor as giving a damp, cold aspect to the apartments, but that feeling will be readily overcome by the deep redness of the brick, and the tasteful coloring of the mortar. Above the wainscoting the entire walls are sheathed with red oak, each and every piece worked to form a moulding. The general waiting room is finished up to the roof, which is supported by four massive trusses of heavy oak timber, wrought in plain but unique design, which might remind one of the interior of some of our large modern-built churches—except for the absence of anything else pertaining to ecclesiastical architecture. A striking feature in the room is the large gable windows, which admit a strong light from above, giving a fantastic play of light and shade in the various details of the timber work and mouldings in the apartment. The building and platforms are to be lighted with gas, and steam heat will be used in cold weather.

Much has been said about the depot being inconvenient, dark, gloomy, etc., but we think that when it is put into use the traveling public will find it much more convenient and adapted to their requirements than the depots at many places which are larger than this. One thing is sure, we have as fine looking a depot—both inside and out—as can be found in this part of the state. When the old depot and the freight house of the Ware River road are removed and the park east of the station finished, the appearance of that portion of the village will be vastly improved, and the new depot, with its surroundings, will be one of which any town —or city, for that matter—might well be proud.

New crossing frogs are to be put in at the junction of the two roads next Sunday, and the N. L. N. tracks moved into their new position, and although it will be impossible to get the depot ready for use next Monday, it will probably be occupied by the middle of the week. The old depot will be gotten out of the way at once, and the Ware River track extended through to the freight house, and passenger trains on that road will stop where the old depot now stands. The extension of the track through to the freight yard will give an opportunity for switching on that road without coming upon the Boston & Albany main tracks.

There is one question about the new station which has a deep interest for our citizens, and that is the question of the approach to it for foot passengers. No one outside the circle of high officials of the road seems to know, positively, what is to be done, but there is a general impression that the managers propose to entirely shut off Main street from any direct approach to the station, sending travel around over the bridge, and perhaps opening a passage from the west end of the new platform to the Commercial street tunnel, for the use of the people from that end of the village. The new approach is well enough for teams, but we are loth to believe that the managers will cut off all other communication with the station except through an exceedingly inconvenient hole from the Commercial street tunnel. While they are doing so fine a thing in the way of a new building, we trust they will not be entirely indifferent to the comfort and convenience of citizens and others who want to reach it from the business center or the west end of the village. Such an arrangement would make it the most inconvenient station of any on the line of the road. If there can be no crossing of the tracks at grade, there should certainly be a tunnel under or a bridge over them in the vicinity of Central street.

THORNDIKE.

The ladies of the Congregational society are to have a strawberry festival at the church vestry next Wednesday evening.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

A party of 25 went to Springfield Wednesday night to see the Equine Paradox.

The ice man is abroad in the land with ice at 20 cents per hundred—low enough to suit the most fastidious.

Ashley W. Turner, who died the 16th, was afflicted during the winter and spring with a hard swelling on the neck, which gradually developed into a species of rock cancer, causing death after much suffering. He leaves a widow and one child, who receives $3000 from the Bay State Beneficiary.

WEST WARREN.

Peter Boudville is drawing poles for a railing between this village and Warren.

The M.E. church had a maple sugar eat and sociable at Crossman's Hall last week Friday evening, realizing some forty dollars.

Mr. Lee, overseer in the weave-room at No. 2, has got through, and is succeeded by James Grant, who holds the same position at No. 1 also.

Main street is being graded and filled with coal ashes and furnace debris from the mills; if we have wet weather it will make a very good road, but if it is dry, somebody will have a good chance to get a large share of their peck of dirt.

GILBERTVILLE.

One of the tenement houses of the Geo. H. Gilbert Mfg. Co. at Gilbertville was considerably damaged by fire on Monday afternoon, originating from a lamp used in burning off old paint. The building was occupied by W. T. Wilder and John McCarty.

The Union Hall Association is in a flourishing condition, and with the roller skating amusement is furnished at a low price, and is not very expensive, as members of the association assist as door keepers, ticket sellers, etc. Next Thursday evening the boy wonder, Master George Nash, will give an exhibition on his bicycle. He will ride over steps, spin about the hall on one wheel, and other wonderful performances.

WARREN.

Memorial exercises take place on Friday, and the programme will be as usual.

J. G. Leach, L. A. Powers, C. M. Smith are the committee on Memorial Day.

Rev. Mr. Forbes will preach the Memorial sermon to the Grand Army next Sabbath.

Much rejoicing is felt at having the modoc stop as usual, as it is much more convenient.

The Sons of Temperance gave an entertainment Wednesday evening, and will present another farce in two weeks.

Louis Woodworth has gone to Medina, N. Y., to take charge of a skating rink, and Mr. Baker of Palmer will succeed him.

The park which is the pride of the village is looking finely this spring and shows the nice care which is bestowed upon it.

Andrew Burbank met with an accident last week by a heavy iron ladle falling upon him while loading it on the cars. He was much bruised and had an ankle sprained, but was fortunate in not being instantly killed, as it was very heavy.

PALMER CENTER.

Geo. King has contracted to re-paint the Catholic church at Bondsville, and commenced work last Wednesday.

Mrs. J. B. Naylor has returned from Connecticut, where she has been studying in a celebrated hospital. She expects to return in a short time.

The house at the town farm has been repainted, as has also the house of Mr. Cone, who lives upon the Warren road, much improving the appearance of both.

It is said that the breaking of a bolt upon the scraper caused one of our highway surveyors to stand upon his head in rather an unceremonious manner. Moral: Next time be sure of the bolts, and take hold with both hands.

A team belonging to Dr. Downing of Palmer met with an accident last Sunday afternoon. While coming down the school house hill the wheels upon one side of the vehicle struck a small mound and broke, throwing out the driver, who, however, escaped without being hurt.

BONDSVILLE.

Some of our village hoodlums removed the sign from Duncan's shoe shop a few nights since.

O. A. Parent is drawn as juryman to attend the June term of court at Springfield from this place.

Work on the new foundation for the store is nearing completion, and the party having the job of moving the building began work Wednesday.

The Boston Duck Co. have had to board up the windows in one of their unoccupied tenements to prevent the glass from being broken out by the boys. Isn't there a way to put a stop to such depredations?

The children of the M. E. society gave a charming musical entertainment Wednesday evening. The programme consisted of instrumental music, choruses, duets and solos. Several pieces being sung in costume, causing much merriment and loud applause. The little ones carried out their various parts in a manner that deserves much commendation. Quite a number from Thorndike were noticed among the audience.

THREE RIVERS.

Contractor Gillin is thoroughly overhauling the Athol bridge over the Chicopee river, replacing several large timbers with new ones, and raising the bridge several feet above its present level.

At a business meeting of the Union Evangelical church on Tuesday evening, it was voted to extend a call to Rev. C. L. Ayer of Rocky Hill, Ct., to become a regular supply. F. A. Upham was elected clerk in the place of O. M. Billings, resigned.

The Sons of Temperance presented the drama entitled "The Last Loaf," and the laughable farces "How They Kept a Secret," and "Aunt Betsey's Beaux," at the vestry of the Union church last Saturday evening. A large audience was present, and all spoke highly of the entertainment.

Last Saturday two young men in the employ of the Palmer Mill hired a horse of Charles Simonds, and both getting intoxicated abused the horse by beating and overdriving, and to wind up with grossly insulted Mrs. Simonds on their return, her husband being absent. The next day both were arrested, and one was fined $6.14 for drunkenness, and the other $21.19 for drunkenness and cruelty. Both have been discharged from the mill.

MONSON.

Hanging May-baskets is all the rage.

Chas R. Dudley is in town for a few days.

Town Treasurer Cushman is out again after an illness of six weeks.

State Inspector Inness has been interviewing the soldiers relative to aid furnished themselves and families.

The entertainment for the benefit of the M. E. church organ fund has been postponed until the evening of June 6th.

The ladies of the Universalist society will hold a strawberry and ice cream festival, at Central Hall next Thursday evening. An entertainment will be given by the young people.

In Central Hall next Sunday morning Rev. John Dooly of New York will preach. All are cordially invited. In the evening there will be no service at the hall, the Universalist cooperating with the Orthodox and Methodist societies in a union service.

The Young Ladies' working club of the Congregational church give a strawberry festival next Tuesday evening at the Congregational church. The Amherst College Glee Club with the Warbler will give some of their best selections, and a good time may be expected.

Some young men on Washington street, in their anxiety and haste to catch the supposed hangers of a May-basket, rushed headlong out of the door and nearly knocked over some young ladies who were calling on an entirely different errand, one evening not such a great while ago.

Next Sunday afternoon at one o'clock the members of the Grand Army meet at Central Hall and march to the Congregational church to listen to a memorial sermon by the Rev. Mr. Bylington. All soldiers and sailors not members of the Post are especially invited to meet at the hall and march with the Post.

Arrangements for Memorial Day are nearly completed, and will be under the management of the Grand Army. A detail will visit Moulton Hill cemetery in the early part of the day. At half-past two the exercises at Central Hall will commence with singing by a male chorus of sixteen voices under the direction of Mr. Charles Orcutt. Prayer will be offered by the Rev. Mr. Hammatt, and the oration delivered by the Rev. James H. Kelley of Monson. It is hoped that flowers will be sent to Central Hall as early in the day as convenient.

WARE AND VICINITY.

The little steamer "Nenameseck" is to be put on the river next week in time for Decoration Day.

William F. Mallalieu, D. D., the newly elected Methodist bishop, is brother to Mrs. J. R. Lawton.

Messrs. Otis Lane and Lewis N. Gilbert are building a parsonage at Gilbertville for the Congregational society.

Miss Sybel Carter gave an interesting lecture at the Chapel on Wednesday evening on "Mormonism and Education in the New West."

The Brookfield Conference of Congregational ministers met by adjournment on Tuesday, and in the cases of discipline fully sustained and justified the action of the East Congregational church.

Col. James F. Gates, who died at the residence of his son, Daniel C. Gates, on the 9th inst, was another of our well-known old residents who has gone to his rest. He was born in Barnard, Vt., in 1800, and moved to this place nearly fifty years ago.

The annual meeting of the League of American Wheelmen was held at Washington on Monday and Tuesday of this week, and elected Dr. N. M. Beckwith of New York, president; C. K. Alley of Buffalo, corresponding secretary; Stephen Terry of Hartford, treasurer; Eugene M. Aaron of Philadelphia, recording secretary. All of these officers are opposed to reinstating Jenkins, who has made so much trouble in the League during the past year. A parade in which 600 wheelmen participated occured on Tuesday morning, and in the races which took place in the afternoon, Geo. M. Hendee won the one mile bicycle and one mile tricycle races. The Springfield club attracted the most attention at the meet and on Wednesday morning were presented to President Arthur. The League now number 4250 members.

Some unknown person started an engine on the Delaware & Hudson railroad at Mechanicsville, N. Y., Monday evening, and then jumped off. It ran up the track at full speed and collided with the Montreal sleeper. Both engines were wrecked, two men seriously hurt, and a number of others somewhat bruised.

The weighmaster of the Missouri Pacific railroad at St. Louis, has been arrested for defrauding the company in weighing cars and sharing the profits with the shippers. One lumber firm is said to have saved $70,000 by this method.

Three card monte men swindled Oliver Utly, a prosperous farmer near Westfield, out of $2000 last Friday afternoon. Mr. Utly is 80 years old, and ought to have known better.

Miss Fannie Reed, for 30 years a teacher in the public schools at Lawrence, has recently become possessed of $20,000, and has given up teaching.

Literary Notes.

Outing and The Wheelman for May puts in an agreeable appearance, and the young magazine seems to be gaining steadily in public favor. An interesting article on salmon fishing furnishes two full-page illustrations, one of which is frontispiece. There are also several other fishing sketches and pictures of bicycle tours in various countries, 'cycling being given the prominence, which is its due from its importance among the athletic sports of the present time. "Love in a Camera" is an amusing little story by Mr. Holland. Yachting and Canoeing receive considerable attention, Mr. Norton's "Canoe and Canoeists" having quite a practical ring, and the "Letter File," which has become an interesting feature of the magazine, raising some serious questions of yacht measurement. There is also an installment of "Summer Sweethearts," and the whole number seems every way attractive and satisfactory.

Among the May magazines will be found a new visitor, *Home Science*, a publication devoted, as its title would suggest, to science and art, hygiene, economy, amusements and exercises, parentage, adornment, &c., in and pertaining to the home and household. In addition to the regular contributions there will be in each number several departments, such as "Health and Habit," conducted by Dr. Dio Lewis, "Evening Home Talks," by Prof. E. P. Thwing, Ph. D., "Mother's Portfolio," by Julia McNair Wright, and others equally interesting. The well-known author, Dr. Felix L. Oswald, will commence in the July number a series of instructive science papers which will embody discussions on the nursery, home life and schools, physical, mental, moral and remedial education, which will be written in an attractive style. Among contributors will be found Revs. Dr. Robert Collyer, T. DeWitt Talmage and R. S. Storrs, Dr. Dio Lewis, and others equally popular. This magazine has entered upon a field where there is abundant work to do, and it is to be hoped it will meet the encouragement due the good cause and the skilled labor which will be bestowed upon it. Price $2.50 per year. Published by Selden R. Hopkins, 29 Warren street and 69 Bible House, New York. Post Office address, Box 2126.

The Modern Age for March contains the usual amount of selected reading, a portion being from some of the first-class magazines of the day, and the translations are well rendered. An interesting feature of this publication is the list of prizes offered monthly for the best set of replies to twelve published questions. The Modern Age Publishing Co., 163 Seneca street, Buffalo, N. Y.

The Bay State Monthly has a fine steel engraving of Chester A. Arthur, accompanied by an elaborate paper on his life and political record by Benj. Perley Poore. Of historical interest are "The Boundary Lines of Old Groton," by Hon. S. A. Green, M. D., and "Bunker Hill," by Gen. H. B. Carrington, each having a map. Russell Sturgis, Jr., gives valuable information concerning the "Young Men's Christian Association of Massachusetts," and the "New England Town-House" is thoroughly "aired" by J. B. Sewall. Kate L. Brown has a pretty little poem, "Yesterday," and Robert Luce speaks of "Town and City Histories." Published by J. N. McGilntock & Co., 31 Milk street, Boston.

The Pathfinder is abroad, and all who desire knowledge of transportation on any of the New England routes of travel and their connections will do well to invest 25 cents in the May number, which, as usual, will be found complete and perfect and may be relied on for all information necessary.

Good Cheer for May maintains the high character acquired in previous months, and may profitably be welcomed in every household, for its pages contain only what is pure, elevating and improving, its contents being above the average in literary merit.

FURNITURE.—Don't fail to visit Paine's warerooms at manufactory, 48 Canal street, the next time you are in Boston.

Barr & Son, Springfield, send ice cream to wedding and other parties. They keep the best restaurant in the city.

Smith & Murray, Springfield, offer elsewhere some remarkable bargains, among which are Bellon's black silks at $1; usual price $1.50.

Forbes & Wallace, Springfield, offer another elegant lot of ostrich plumes at $1.50 to $2; tips 50 cts. to $1 per bunch of three tips; black tips 50 cents and 75 cents per bunch; children's school hats 25c.

Babbitt & Chapin offer in another column some good prizes for the largest pumpkin. Here is a chance to raise the standard of pumpkin cultivation. The farmers and their boys will go for the pumpkins and the prizes.

Broadhurst Bros., Morse's Shoe Store, 356 Main street, Springfield, have been piling in the Summer shoes this week so fast that their timid competitors begin to fear lest the famous "Central" will scoop in *all* the country trade.

A first-class tailor is always much sought for. Now our young men can get a suit made to order, which will fit perfectly, by calling on David Campbell & Co., in Cooley's Hotel building, near the depot, Springfield. Mr. Campbell is a New York cutter of rare taste and skill, and warrants a perfect fit every time. His prices are full as moderate as can be found in the city, and he has a very choice stock of all-wool suitings of foreign make, of the most perfect finish and best material. Not for a long time have we seen better goods.

Tinkham & Co., Springfield, offer Cheney's Louisiane pure silks of fine quality, new shades, at 65 cents, former price $1. Great bargains in Trimmph black silks at $1.25 to $2.50. They give a written guarantee with this silk. Surah silks, all colors, $1, a great bargain. Every lady before buying should see this largest and richest silk stock in Western Massachusetts, at prices less than New York or Boston.

CREAM AND COLD WEATHER.

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Is in store for all who use Kemp's Balsam for the throat and lungs, the great guaranteed remedy. Would you believe that it is sold on its merits, and that each druggist is authorized to refund your money by the proprietor of this wonderful remedy if it fails to cure you? O. P. Allen has secured the agency for it. Price 50 cents and $1. Trial size free. 1y16eow

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.—HAMPDEN SS. To H. A. Northrop, Constable of the town of Palmer:

You are hereby directed to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the town of Palmer qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet at the Town House, on Monday, the second day of June next, at 10 o'clock a. m., to act on the following articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1st.—To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2.—To bring in their votes for one assessor to fill the vacancy caused by the death of John Clough.

The polls will be opened at 10 o'clock a. m. and close at 12 o'clock m.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies of this warrant at the different public places designated by vote of the town, seven days at least before the holding of said meeting, and cause this warrant to be printed in the Palmer Journal, at least two issues before the holding of said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the town clerk, on or before the holding of said meeting.

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MOWER, HAY RAKE, TEDDER.
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Known as the BUCKSKIN STUD, will stand for service this season at Palmer.

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A smart, intelligent boy, about 15 or 16 years of age, to learn the printer's trade.
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God wants the boys with all their joys,
That he as gold may make them pure,
And teach them trials to endure.
His heroes brave
He'll have them be,
Fighting for truth
And purity.
GOD WANTS THE BOYS.

God wants the happy-hearted girls,
The loving girls, the best of girls,
The worst of girls;
God wants to make the girls his pearls,
And so reflect his holy face,
And bring to mind his wondrous grace,
That beautiful
The world may be,
And filled with love
And purity.
GOD WANTS THE GIRLS.

A MOTHER'S CARE.

There are two extraordinary things about mothers. One is their patience, and the other is their impatience. He who sees a mother care for a child through a long and dangerous sickness, tending it by day and by night, saving its life, not once merely, but many times, hoping on when all others despair, and keeping up when all others give out, and at last coaxing and loving the little creature back to convalescence, sees one of the sublimest things in nature. The same mother, when the child is well again, will sometimes exhibit an impatience with it that borders on the ridiculous. It is noisy, boisterous, inquisitive, careless, as all healthy children are apt to be, and the mother wears out her soul in scolding it. This is often a case of cause and effect. The child has recovered its nervous force, but the mother has not. During the ten weeks' illness of a child, its mother may expend her entire reserve of vital energy, and contract a large debt in that line besides, which she may be years in liquidating. She may never liquidate it, but live on, fretful and irritable to the end, for a mother seldom passes a whole year without incurring some new drain upon her resources. It is for this reason that, in all the arrangements of a home, the ease and comfort of the mother should be considered before all things. This is her right. Nor is it less the interest of the family, for their happiness depends chiefly upon her health and cheerfulness.

REBUKING A PHARISEE.

Jenny Lind once went to hear Father Taylor preach in Boston, but the preacher, being ignorant of her presence, paid a glowing tribute to her powers of song. As the Swedish nightingale leaned forward with delight, drinking in this unexpected praise, a tall man who sat on the pulpit stairs began slowly to unwind himself, and when he had done so, wanted to know whether any one who died at Miss Lind's concerts would go to Heaven. Father Taylor said: "Sir, a Christian will go to Heaven, wherever he dies; but a fool will be a fool, even though he be on the pulpit stairs. It would take more grace to save such a man as that than it would take skim milk to feed an elephant."

E. W. Fellows of Cleveland, after two years of experimenting, has succeeded in inventing a way of taking instantaneously and with absolute permanency, photographs upon any substance having a smooth surface, by the employment of electricity. The expense is less than one cent for each picture.

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"Will the youngest girl in the room please rise," said a school superintendent in a rural district. Every female in the room stood up, including the teacher. —*Burlington Free Press.*

A gentleman was giving a boy some peanuts the other day. The mother said, "Now, what are you going to say to the gentleman?" The little fellow looked up and replied, "More!"

When a young woman is in love, she turns to the poets' corner first on picking up the local paper. After she is married, she turns first to the dry goods advertisements.

"No," said Fogg, in reply to the person on the doorstep, "the lady of the house is not in. It is her evening out. But my wife is in; perhaps she will do as well."

Begin your course in life with the least show and expense possible. You may at pleasure increase both, but cannot easily diminish them.

One clear and distinct idea is worth a world of misty ones. Gain one clear, distinct truth, and it becomes a center of light.

Never talk of your own or other people's domestic affairs. Yours are nothing to them, but tedious; theirs are nothing to you.

They have a species of water tortoise in China, with hair growing on their backs, specimens of which have lately been forwarded to England.

The difference between a cat and a comma is that one has his claws at the end of the paws, while the other has the pause at the end of the clause.

Georgia now has a law requiring hotels that do not use real butter to display a sign conspicuously: "This house uses oleomargarine."

The Ishmaelites must have been a race of poker players. It is said of them that their hands were "against every man's hand."

Colored waiters are best. Whatever is said at the table they will be sure to keep dark.—*New Orleans Item.*

Take care with whom you make acquaintance. A white garment is soon stained.

It is better to pay and have little left, than to keep much and be always in debt.

The more women look in their glasses, the less they look to their houses.

Why is an Irish dude not a great success? Because a Yankee doo-dle-doo.

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Her curtains and her draperies, matchless mirrors, everything
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Why Don't the Girls Propose?

A LEAP YEAR DITTY.

Why don't the girls propose, papa?
Why don't the girls propose?
Each one seems coming to the point,
And then away she goes.
Though it is their privilege this year,
As everybody knows,
They flirt in quite an awful way,
But, oh, they won't propose.

I've read the latest fashions,
I talk of plait and frill,
And discuss the newest color
With a quite consummate skill;
I am *au fait* on bonnets,
Know a things or two of hose,
And I seem to interest them,
But they won't—they won't propose.

That most feminine of columns
In the excellent Bazar,
Where the queerest sort of queries
About making dresses are,
I have studied with attention,
Till one really would suppose
That my language must attract them,
Yet still they won't propose.

I've practiced charming innocence,
And weeping at the play;
And I can drop my eyelids
In a most engaging way;
I've studied hard to blush and lisp
My "yes" es and my "no" s,
And smiled with sweet persistence;
But they will not propose.

It's really very hard, papa;
There's cause for just complaint,
I'm even trying to teach myself
The way to scream and faint;
But while I practice every art,
Too fast the leap year goes.
Why don't the girls propose,—papa?
Why don't the girls propose?

—*Puck.*

THE DEACON'S WEEK.

The communion service of January was just over in the church at Sugar Hollow, and people were waiting for Mr. Parkes to give out the hymn, but he did not give it out; he laid his book down on the table and looked about on his church.

He was a man of simplicity and sincerity, fully in earnest to do his Lord's work, and do it with all his might, but he did sometimes feel discouraged. His congregation was a mixture of farmers and mechanics, for Sugar Hollow was cut in two by Sugar Brook, a brawling, noisy stream that turned the wheel of many a mill and manufactory, yet on the hills around it there was still a scattered population eating their bread in the full perception of the primeval curse. So he had to contend with the keen brain and skeptical comment of the men who piqued themselves on power to hammer at theological problems as well as hot iron, with the jealousy and repulsion and bitter feeling that has bred the communistic hordes abroad and at home; while perhaps he had a still harder task to awaken the sluggish souls of those who used their days to struggle with barren hillside and rocky pasture for mere food and clothing and their nights to sleep the dull sleep of physical fatigue and mental vacuity.

It seemed sometimes to Mr. Parkes that nothing but the trumpet of Gabriel could arouse the people from their sins and make them believe on the Lord and follow His footsteps. To-day—no, a long time before to-day, he had mused and prayed till an idea took shape in his thought, and now he was to put it in practice; yet he felt peculiarly responsible and solemnized as he looked about him and foreboded the success of his experiment. Then there flashed across him, as words of Scripture come back to the habitual Bible-reader, the noble utterance of Gamaliel concerning Peter and his brethren when they stood before the council: "If this counsel or work be of men, it will come to naught; but if it be of God ye cannot overthrow it." So with a sense of strength the minister spoke:

"My dear friends," he said, "you all know, though I did not give you any notice to that effect, that this week is the 'week of prayer.' I have a mind to ask you to make it for this once a week of practice instead. I think we may discover some things, some of the things of God, in this manner that a succession of prayer meetings would not perhaps so thoroughly reveal to us. Now when I say this I don't mean to have you go home and vainly endeavor to walk straight in the old way; I want you to take topics, as they are called, for the prayer meetings. For instance, Monday is prayer for the temperance work. Try all that day to be temperate in speech, in act, in indulgence of any kind that is hurtful to you. The next day is for Sunday school; go and visit your scholars, such of you as are teachers, and try to feel that they have living souls to save. Wednesday is a day for fellowship meetings; we are cordially invited to attend a union meeting of this sort at Bantam. Few of us can go twenty-five miles to be with our brethren there; let us go and see those who have been cold to us for some reason, heal up our breaches of friendship, confess our shortcomings one to another, and act as if, in our Master's words, 'all ye are brethren.'

"Thursday is the day to pray for the family relation; let us each try to be to our families on that day in our measure what the Lord is to His family, the church, remembering the words, 'Fathers, provoke not your children to anger'; 'Husbands, love your wives, and be not bitter against them.' These are the texts rarely commented upon, I have noticed, in our conference meetings; we are more apt to speak of the obedience due from children, and the submission and meekness our wives owe us, forgetting that duties are always reciprocal.

"Friday the church is to be prayed for. Let us then each for himself try to act that day just as we think Christ, our great exampler, would have acted in our places. Let us try to prove to ourselves and the world about us that we have not taken upon us His name lightly or in vain. Saturday is prayer day for the heathen and foreign missions. Brethren, you know and I know that there are heathen at our doors here; let every one of you who will, take that day to preach the gospel to some one who does not hear it anywhere else. Perhaps you will find work that ye knew not of, lying in your midst. And let us all on Saturday evening meet here again and choose some one brother to relate his experience of the week. You who are willing to try this method, please to rise."

Everybody rose except old Amos Tucker, who never stirred, though his wife pulled at him and whispered to him, imploringly. He only shook his grizzled head and sat immovable.

"Let us sing the doxology," said Mr. Parkes, and it was sung with full fervor. The new idea had roused the church fully; it was something fixed and positive to do; it was the lever-point Archimedes had longed for, and each felt strong and ready to move a world.

Saturday night the church assembled again. The cheerful eagerness was gone from their faces; they looked downcast, troubled, weary—as the pastor expected. When the box for ballots was passed, each one tore a bit of paper from the sheet placed in the hymn-book for that purpose, and wrote on it a name. The pastor said, after he had counted them:

"Deacon Emmons, the lot has fallen on you."

"I am sorry for it," said the deacon, rising up and taking off his overcoat. "I ha'n't got the best of records, Mr. Parkes, now I tell ye."

"That isn't what we want," said Mr. Parkes. "We want to know the whole experience of some one among us, and we know you will not tell us either more or less than what you did experience."

Deacon Emmons was a short, thick-set man, with a shrewd, kindly face and gray hair, who kept the village store and had a well-earned reputation for honesty.

"Well, brethren," he said, "I dunno why I shouldn't tell it. I am pretty well ashamed of myself, no doubt but I ought to be, and maybe I shall profit by what I've found out these six days back. I'll tell you just as it come. Monday I looked about me to begin with. I'm amazing fond of coffee, and it ain't good for me, the doctor says it ain't; but dear me, it does set a man up good cold mornings to have a cup of hot, sweet, tasty drink, and I hav'nt had the grit to refuse! I knew it made me what folks call nervous and I call cross before night came; and I knew it fetched on spells of low spirits when our folks couldn't get a word out of me—not a good one, anyway; so I thought I'd try on that to begin with. I tell you it come hard! I hankered after that drink of coffee dreadful! Seemed as though I couldn't eat my breakfast without it. I feel to pity a man that loves liquor more'n I ever did in my life before; but I feel sure they can stop if they try, for I've stopped, and am going to stay stopped.

Well, come to dinner, there was another fight. I do set by pie the most of anything. I was fetched up on pie, as you might say. Our folks always had it three times a day, and the doctor he's been talkin' and talkin' to me about eatin' pie. I have the dyspepsy like everything, and it makes me useless by spells, and unreliable as a weathercock. An' Dr. Drake he says there won't nothin' help me but to diet. I was readin' the Bible that morning while I sat waiting for breakfast, for 'twas Monday, and was kind of set back with washin' and all, and I come across that part where it says that the bodies of Christians are temples of the Holy Ghost.. Well, thinks I, we'd ought to take care of 'em if they be, and see that they're kept clean and pleasant, like the church; and nobody can be clean nor pleasant that has dyspepsy. But, come to pie, I felt as though I couldn't! and, lo ye, I didn't! I eat a piece right against my conscience; facin' what I knew I ought not to do. I tell you my conscience made music of me consider'ble, and I said then I would never sneer at a drinkin' man no more when he slipped up. I'd feel for him and help him, for I see just how it was. So that day's practice giv' out, but it learned me a good deal more'n I knew before.

"I started out next day to look up my Bible class. They really hav'n't tended up to Sunday school as they ought to, along back, but I was busy, here and there, and there didn't seem to be a real chance to get to it. Well, 'twould take the evening to tell it all, but I found one real sick, been abed three weeks, and was so glad to see me that I felt fair ashamed. Seemed as though I heered the Lord for the first time sayin', 'Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these ye did it not to me.' Then another man's old mother says to me before he come in from the shed, 'He's been a sayin' that if folks practiced what they preached you'd ha' come round to look him up afore now, but he reckoned you kinder looked down on mill hands. I'm awful glad you come.' Brethren, so was I! I tell you that day's work done me good. I got a poor opinion of Josiah Emmons, I tell ye, but I learned more about the Lord's wisdom than a month o' Sundays ever showed me."

A smile he could not repress passed over Mr. Parkes' earnest face. The deacon had forgotten all external issues in coming so close to the heart of things; but the smile passed as he said:

"Brother Emmons, do you remember what the Master said: "If any man will do His will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God or whether I speak of it myself?"

"Well, it's so right along. Why, I never thought so much of my Bible class nor took such a deep interest in 'em as I do to-day—not since I begun to teach. I believe they'll come more regular now, too.

"Now come fellowship day. I thought that would be plain sailin'; seemed as though I'd got warmed up till I felt pleasant towards everybody; so I went around seein' folks that was neighbors, and 'twas easy; but when I come home at noon spell, Philury says, says she, 'Square Tucker's black bull is into th' orchard a-tearin' round, and he's knocked two lengths o' fence down flat!' Well, the old Adam riz up then, you'd better b'lieve. That black bull has been a-breakin into my lots ever since we got in th' aftermath, and it's Square Tucker's fence, and he won't make it bull-strong as he'd oughter, and that orchard was a young one, jest comin' to bear and all the new wood crisp as cracklin's with frost. You'd better b'lieve I didn't have much fellow-feelin' with Amos Tucker. I jest put over to his house and spoke up pretty free to him, when looked up and says, says he, 'Fellowship meetin' day, ain't it, deacon?' I'd rather he'd ha' slapped my face. I felt as though I should like to slip behind the door. I see pretty distinct what sort of a life I'd been livin' all the years I'd been a professor, when I couldn't hold on to my tongue and temper one day!"

"Breth-e-ren," interrupted a slow harsh voice, somewhat broken with emotion, "I'll tell th' rest on't. 'Siah Emmons come around like a man an' a Christian right there. He asked me for to forgive him, and not to think 'twas the fault of his religion, because 'twas his'n and nothin' else. I think more of him to-day than I ever done before. I was one that wouldn't say I'd practice with the rest of ye. I thought 'twas everlastin' nonsense. I'd rather go to forty-nine prayer meetin's than work at bein' good a week. I b'lieve my hope has been one of them that perish; it ha'n't worked, and I leave it behind to-day. I mean to begin honest, and it was seein' one honest Christian man fetched me round to't."

Amos Tucker sat down and buried his grizzled head in his rough hands.

"Bless the Lord!" said the quavering tones of a still older man from a far corner of the house, and many a glistening eye gave silent response.

"Go on, Brother Emmons." said the minister.

"Well, when next day come I got up to make the fire, and my boy Joe had forgot the kindlin's. I opened my month to give him Jesse, when it come over me sudden that this was the day of prayer for the family relation. I thought I wouldn't say nothin'. I jest fetched in the kindlin's myself, and when the fire burnt up good I called my wife.

"'Dear me!' says she, 'I've got such a headache, 'Siah, but I'll come in a minute.' I didn't mind that, for women are always havin' aches, and I was jest a-goin' to say so, when I remembered the tex' about my not bein' bitter against 'em, so I says, Philury, you lay abed. I expect Emmy and me can get the vittles to-day.' I declare, she turned over and give me such a look; why, it struck right in. There was my wife, that had worked for an' waited on me twenty odd year, 'most scar't because I spoke kind of feelin' to her. I went out and fetched in the pail o' water she'd always drawed herself, and then I milked the cow. When I come in Philury was up fryin' the potatoes, and the tears a-shinin' on her white face. She didn't say nothin', she's kinder still, but she hadn't no need to. I felt a little meaner'n I did the day before. But 'twan't nothin' to my condition when I was goin', towards night, down the sullar stairs for some apples, so's the children could have a roast, and I heered Joe up in the kitchen say to Emmy, 'I do b'lieve, Em, pa's goin' to die.' 'Why, Josiah Emmons, how you talk!' 'Well, I do; he's so everlastin' pleasaut an' good-natured I can't but think he's struck with death.'

"I tell ye, brethren, I set right down on them sullar stairs and cried. I did, reely. Seemed as though the Lord had turned and looked at me jest as He did at Peter. Why, there was my own children never see me act real fatherly and pretty in all their lives. I'd growled and scolded and prayed at 'em, and tried to fetch 'em up jest as the twig is bent the tree's inclined, ye know, but I never thought that they'd any right and reason to expect I'd do my part as well as they their'n. Seemed as though I was findin' out more about Josiah Emmons' shortcomin's than was agreeable.

"Come around Friday I got back to the store. I'd kind o' left it to the boys the first part o' the week, and things was kind o' cuterin', but I did have sense not to tear round and use sharp words so much as common. I began to think 'twas gettin' easy to practice after five days, when in come Judge Herrick's wife after some curtain calico. I had a handsome piece, all done off with roses an' things, but there was a fault in the weavin'—every now and then a thin streak. She didn't notice it, but she was pleased with the figures on't, and said she'd take the whole piece. Well, jest as I was wrappin' of it up, what Mr. Parkes here said about tryin' to act jest as the Lord would in our place, come across me. Why, I turned as red as a beet I know I did. It made me all of a tremble. There was I, a door-keeper in the tents of my God, as David says, really cheatin', and cheatin' a woman. I tell ye, brethren, I was all of a sweat. 'Mis' Herrick,' says I, 'I don't b'lieve you looked real close at this goods; 'tain't thorough wove,' says I. So she didn't take it; but what fetched me was to think how many times I'd done sech mean, unreliable little things to turn a penny and all the time sayin' and prayin' that I wanted to be like Christ. I kep' a-trippin' of myself up all day jest in the ordinary business, and I was a peg lower down when night come than I was a Thursday. I'd rather, as far as the hard work is concerned, lay a mile of four-foot stone wall than undertake to do a man's livin' Christain duty for twelve hours; and the heft of that is, it's because I a'n't used to it and I ought to be.

"So this mornin' came around, and I felt a mite more cherk. 'Twas missionary mornin', and seemed as if 'twere a sight easier to preach than to practice. I thought I'd begin at old Mrs. Vedder's. So I put a testament in my pocket and knocked to her door. Says I, 'Good mornin', ma'am,' and then I stopped. Words seemed to hang somehow. I didn't want to pop it right out that I'd come over to try'n convert her folks. I hemmed and swallered a little, and finally said, says I, 'we don't see you to meetin' very frequently, Mis' Vedder.'

"'No, you don't!' says she as quick as a wink. 'I stay at home and mind my business.'

"'Well, we should like to hev you come along with us and do ye good,' says I, sort of conciliatin'.

"'Look a here, Deacon!' she snapped, 'I've lived alongside of you fifteen year, and you knowed I never went to meetin'; we a'n't a pious lot, and you knowed it; we're poorer'n death and nglier'n sin. Jim he drinks and swears, and Malviny douo her letters. She knows a heap she hadn't ought to, besides. Now what are you a-comin' here to-day for, I'd like to know, and talkin' so glib about meetin'? Go to meetin'! I'll go or come jest as I darn please, for all you. Now get out o' this!' Why, she come at me with a broomstick. There wasn't no need on't; what she said was enough. I hadn't never asked her nor her'n to so much as think of goodness before. Then I went to another place jest like that—I won't call no more names; and sure enough there was ten children in rags, the hull on 'em, and the man half drunk. He priv' it to me, too; and I don't wonder. I'd never lifted a hand to serve nor save 'em before in all these years. I'd said considerable about the heathen in foreign parts and give some little for to convert 'em, and I had looked right over the heads of them that was next door. Seemed as if I could hear Him say, 'These ought ye to have done and not have left the other undone.' I couldn't face another soul to-day, brethren. I come home, and here I be. I've been searched through and through and through and found wantin'. God, be merciful to me a sinner!"

He dropped into his seat, and bowed his head; and many another bent, too. It was plain that the deacon's experience was not the only one among the brethren.

Mr. Parkes rose, and prayed as he had never prayed before; the week of practice fired him, too. And it began a memorable year for the church in Sugar Hollow; not a year of excitement or enthusiasm, but one when they heard their Lord saying as to Israel of old, "Go forward" and they obeyed His voice. The Sunday school flourished and the church services were fully attended; every good thing was helped on its way, and peace reigned in their homes and hearts, imperfect, perhaps, as new growths are, but still an offshoot of the peace past understanding.

And another year they will keep another week of practice, by common consent.—*Congregationalist.*

THE BAD BOY'S FATHER'S REBUKE.

There is a paper published in the suburbs of Chicago called the *Stock Yards Sun.* It is a "humorous" paper, and its editor writes some bright and sparkling things, but, like all writers, he is apt to be too funny. He makes a specialty of quoting from other alleged humorous papers, giving credit to the editors.

In a recent issue we find the following:—

Now I lay me down to sleep,
I pray the Lord my soul to keep;
If I should die before I wake,
I pray the Lord my soul to take.
This I ask for Jesus' sake.

—*George Peck, Peck's Sun.*

Whether the intention of the *Stock Yards* man is sarcastic or not he evidently intends to have fun with us, or he would not credit that beautiful little prayer to a bold, bad man as he has done. The writer of this wishes that he may have written something sometime that was as pure and touching and simple as the sweet words above credited to him by a too smart funny man. The *Stock Yard* man no doubt laughed heartily when he did the above, and thought he had expressed himself above us in a plain manner, but if he had ever had a little child of his own come to his knee at twilight, rest its curly head in his lap and lisp that precious little prayer and bid papa good night, and as he listened to the patter of the little bare feet on the stairs, feel that before morning the Lord would take the little soul and find on the morrow that such had been the case, the *Stock Yard* man would never have published the little prayer and credited it thus for fun. Though that simple prayer is intended for little children there have been grown men on their death bed who wanted to pray, and never having been prayerful in their lives they could only repeat that little child's prayer from the memory of their childhood, and even that, repeated with all the spirit and despair of a man at the end of life's journey, has seemed to them to be full of heart-broken supplication to the Saviour and as effectual as the oratorical effort of a Beecher. The *Sun* hopes that the *Stock Yards* man, when his time comes to say anything to the throne above, may think of a better prayer to utter, because if he should lack for words and have to repeat the little child's prayer that he has made fun of by crediting in his paper to a bad man, it might make him blush on an occasion when a man don't want to blush for such foolishness committed in a moment of smartness. —*Peck's Sun.*

A gentleman who observed Johnny carefully taking a census of a company assembled in the parlor awaiting a call to supper, inquired: "What is the matter, Johnny?" "Why," returned J., with a troubled air, "here's nine of us, counting me, and mamma has gone and cut the two pies into quarters, and that makes only eight pieces.

Considerable excitement was caused in Philadelphia, one day last week, by a rumor that the Keely motor was able to stand alone. Investigation, however, revealed the reassuring fact that it was leaning up against the wall in the corner, while the great inventor was feeding it stock out of a large, strong basket.—*Hawkeye.*

"Young man," said the landlord, "I always eat the cheese rind." And the new boarder replied: "Just so; I'm leaving this for you."

Flowers for the Brave.

Here bring your purple and gold,
Glory of color and scent;
Scarlet of tulips bold,
Buds blue as the firmament.

Hushed is the sound of the life
And the bugle piping clear;
The vivid and delicate life
In the soul of the youthful year.

We bring to the quiet dead,
With a gentle and tempered grief:
O'er the mounds so mute we shed
The beauty of blossom and leaf.

The flashing swords that were drawn,
No rust shall their fame destroy;
Boughs rosy as rifts of dawn,
Like the blush on the cheek of joy.

Rich fires of the garden and mead
We kindle these hearts above;
What splendor shall match their deeds?
What sweetness can match our love?

"LOW HOUSEHOLD DUTIES."

Professor Adler, who has no sympathy with the religious life, and has spoken contemptuously of Christian work for the poor, has now undertaken to advocate "reform in home life." He is reported as saying, as we read in the *Evening Post*, that "too much drudgery is imposed upon our women," the kitchen being made the "base of our houses;" and woman, being occupied with low household duties, is unable to exercise those ennobling influences we demand of her. In the same way, the mother, being busy in the kitchen, has not time to train herself to understand the "soul-life" of the child, which explains much of the misunderstanding between them which we so often notice. Professor Alder thinks that some form of co-operative housekeeping is what is needed to liberate the mother from her present slavery.

There is more "bosh" and gush than good sense in such talk as this. Without doubt there is sad need of improvement in the ways and means of housekeeping, and wives and mothers have "duties" that are wearisome, vexatious, and sometimes almost intolerable. But those duties are not "low," and there is no true conception of the nature of domestic life in the mind of one who can speak of them in such words.

A servant with this clause
Makes drudgery divine;
Who sweeps a room as for Thy laws,
Makes that and th' action fine.

George Herbert had the true idea of labor, an idea that an agnostic cannot have. Mr. Alder's "co-operative housekeeping" has been tried over and over again; every socialistic community has had its foundation in a desire to escape the disagreeables of domestic life, and, by sharing them, to minify them. Failures, all and everywhere. The truth which social reformation will never learn is that there are ungenial "duties" in every condition of life. To avoid them is impossible. To perform them with a cheerful spirit, in the love of God and our fellows, renders life sweet and enjoyable. He who calls them "low" puts a stigma on labor which it does not deserve.—*N. Y. Observer.*

HOW TO USE NAPKINS.

Some one in *Harper's Bazar* gives the following instructions as to the use of napkins, for both fashionable and home tables:

At a fashionable meal never fold a napkin, but leave it beside the plate as used. At a social tea or breakfast, it can be folded if the hostess does so.

Too much starch should never be put in napkins. No one wishes to wipe a delicate mouth on a board, and a stiff napkin comes very near being a board.

A soiled napkin should never be put on the table a second time. Nothing takes away the appetite quicker than a napkin that smells of grease.

Clean napkins should be laid away with some pleasant herbs, like lavender or sweet grass, or perhaps the old fashioned sweet clover, that they may come to the table smelling of these deliciously fresh substances.

Breakfast cloths of pink, yellow or drab are very pretty, with napkins to match; but after a few washings they become dull in tint and are not as pretty as white, which grow white with every summer's bleaching.

Large, white napkins are invariably used at luncheon, and smaller ones kept for breakfast and tea. Some ladies like the little fringed napkins for tea, but they do not do up well unless you have a very careful laundress. Never pin your napkin up under your chin; lay it across your lap, convenient to your hand, and lift one corner only to wipe the mouth. Men who wear a moustache are permitted to saw the mouth with the napkin, as if it were a bearing rein, but for ladies, that would look too masculine.

EXPERIENCE.

Many things may be learned by definition. Books can teach us many. But all life's best and sweetest things, all on which we rest most securely, all which are most vital to our peace, are learned by experience.

Only seeing can tell us what it is to see. Nothing but hearing can make us understand sound. And we must thrill beneath the power of life and love before we can form an idea of what either means.

So he who has a personal experience of the power of the truth in Jesus is prepared as no other one can be to know the inspiration of the Word of God. Others may weigh arguments and balance testimonies; but he, moving in a higher space, can say with the Master, "We speak that we do know."

A mother-in-law said to her son-in-law: "So, monsieur, you were at the ball last evening, and it has not been a month since you lost your wife!" "That's true, mamma," answered the culprit with a contrite air, "but I beg to remind you that I danced very sadly!"

The incarnation teaches man the greatness of his misery by showing how great a remedy was needful.—*Pascal.*

A COCOANUT PLANTATION.

An extensive plantation of cocoanut trees has just been started in Dade county, Florida. The pioneer in this new branch of agriculture is Mr. Ezra A. Osborn, of Monmouth county, N. J., who owns a large tract of land along the coast of southeastern Florida. The seed cocoanuts were brought from South America. One hundred thousand trees have been set out on a tract of about 1,000 acres at a cost of nearly $40,000, and Mr. Osborn proposes to plant several thousand more next winter. It takes about six years for the trees to begin to yield returns; but it is estimated that in ten years the grove will pay 10 per cent on a valuation of $2,000,000.

It is said that cocoanuts can be grown in the United States only on a small extent of seacoast in Southern Florida, so that the prospects for a very extensive cocoanut yield in this country are small. The cocoanut palm abounds in the East Indies, throughout the tropical islands of the Pacific and also in the West Indies and South America.

In the native regions it grows to a height of from sixty to one hundred feet, with a cylindrical stem which attains a thickness of two feet. The tree terminates in a crown of graceful waving pinnate leaves, and is very beautiful. On the Malabar and Coromandel coasts of India immense groves may be seen. In Ceylon, which is peculiarly well suited for their cultivation, it is estimated that twenty millions of these trees are growing.

The first operation in cocoanut planting is the formation of a nursery, for which purpose the ripe nuts are placed in squares, containing about 400 each; these are covered an inch deep with sand and seaweed or soft mud from the beach, and watered daily till they germinate. When the young plants are set out they are put in holes three feet deep and from twenty to thirty feet apart. A full grown tree will mature about sixty nuts annually.

THE HAIRPIN.

To the ingenious girl the hairpin is a perfect tool-chest. She is rarely at a loss when provided with the little instrument. It is an excellent button-hook, The man who is within reach of a convenient girl can always button his gaiters and fasten his gloves with the aid of a hairpin, and is thus freed from that slavish dependence on button-hooks which is otherwise the inevitable fate of the man who wears button gaiters. Women also use the hairpin as a substitute for a gimlet. When a woman wishes to make a hole through a piece of cloth or pasteboard she always disinters hairpin, and with it quickly accomplishes her purpose. Two hairpins properly bent form an admirable substitute for a clasp or buckle. What can be better for the purpose of stirring lemonade or medicine? Two or three hairpins held closely together may be used as an egg-beater. When palm leaf fans are used the hairpin is mightier than the lead pencil. An intelligent young lady can write a beautiful note on the surface of a palm leaf fan with the point of a hairpin, and can carry on an important correspondence with the young man in the next pew, by passing him her fan while the sermon is in progress. There are cases on record of letters having been hoisted up to the second and third stories of a female seminary by cords furnished with extemporized hooks made of hairpins. As a pick-lock the hairpin is invaluable. No man who smokes a pipe can dispense with it. All pipes will at times become choked, and when this is the case the hairpin is the only thing that will remove the obstruction. But it would require too much space to detail the many uses of this little instrument; we sum up by saying that no well regulated man should be without them or their legitimate owners.

PREACHING AND PRACTICE.

"See here, Mr. Blank, what are you going out to-night for?" asked Mrs. Blank, with a threatening look.

"Big political meeting to-night," explained Mr. Blank, apologetically.

"Political meeting, eh?" echoed Mrs. Blank. "You have been going to political meetings every night for five weeks, and if it had not been for me, you would have worn your boots to bed every time."

"But just think how nice it would be if I should get nominated for something? Think of the loads of money I could rake in and the nice furniture, and new clothes, and seal-skin sacques, and—"

"That will do," interrupted Mrs. Blank; "I have heard that story before. You made a speech last night at the ward meeting, I hear."

"Yes," responded Mr. Blank, with a pardonable pride.

"And I see by the two or three lines notice of it in the newspapers that the burden of your remarks was 'the office should seek the man, and not the man the office.' Now you just take off that overcoat and sit right down, and if any office comes along and knocks, I will let it right in."

Here is the rule adopted by the late Judah P. Benjamin in his law practice: "First, I charge a retainer, then I charge a remainder, next I charge a refresher, and then I charge a finisher." The "finisher" presumably bankrupted the ordinary client. —*Augusta (Ga.) Chronicle.*

It is not the man who cannot feel what peril is, nor the man too much abstracted to see it, who suffers to most purpose or does his work best; but the man who sees trial, who feels suffering in all its intensity, and yet for the sake of duty, will endure all.

Whatever the number of a man's friends, there will be times in his life when he has one too few; but if he has only one enemy he is lucky indeed if he has not one too many.—*Bulwer-Lytton.*

"I'm engaged for this set," said the hen to the rooster as she went clucking away.

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 30, 1884.

EDITOR DAMON of the Salem *Evening News* has been sentenced to pay a fine of $500 or go to the house of correction for six months, for charging the city marshal with corruption. After his conviction, a year after the offense, the paper retracted, but that was too late.

ONE of our exchanges in the eastern part of the state makes an earnest plea for purer journalism, sharply and justly criticising the daily papers which make crime attractive by furnishing full and racy reports of divorce scandals, elopements and crimes in general. On another page of the same exchange we find advertisements of a class which would shock any pure-minded person, and which no parent would allow his children to read if he could prevent it. Ought not purity, like charity, to begin at home, brother?

THE West Side Bank at New York closed its doors last Saturday, after a run upon it by its creditors, caused by the announcement that its paying teller, Charles A. Hinckley, had disappeared with $96,000 of the bank's funds. The Penn Bank at Pittsburg, Pa., closed their doors for a second time on Monday, and the directors find depositor's accounts overdrawn to the amount of $7000 in excess of the entire capital and surplus of the institution. A bank at Hot Springs, Ark., and another at Green Bay, Wis., have also suspended during the week.

JAMES D. FISH, late president of the Marine Bank of New York, which was wrecked through his connection with the broker firm of Grant & Ward, has been arrested for criminal misconduct as an officer of a national bank. He unbosomed himself to a reporter last Saturday evening, and charged that General Grant was responsible to a large extent for Ward's swindling schemes. He claimed to have letters from Gen. Grant vouching for the correctness of Ward's pretended government contracts. This can hardly be shown from the two or three letters which have been published, but Grant did write Fish that Ward should "derive what profit he can for the firm that the use of my name and influence may bring." This bartering of his name and influence was a terrible mistake, and it is remarkable that Gen. Grant could look upon the arrangement with such complacency. It illustrates anew the General's peculiarly blind devotion to his friends—a trait of character which has often jeopardized his reputation.

POLITICAL PICKINGS.

The Butler boom is dreadfully shaky in the joints. Even the Democrats of his own state are souring on him, 'tis said.

Senator Sherman writes a friend that while he does not seek or expect the Republican nomination, he would accept it if offered him.

The Greenback national convention met at Indianapolis, Ind., Wednesday, and indications pointed to the nomination of Butler and Begole.

There are 94 delegates to next week's convention who were in the convention of 1880. Sixty-three of them were then for Grant, 20 for Blaine and 6 for Sherman.

"Tilden will not accept another nomination under any circumstances." "Tilden will accept the nomination if tendered him." "You pays your money and takes your choice" of opinions.

The immortal Flanagan of Flanagan's Mills, Tex., who so frankly confessed his eagerness for office in the last national convention, asking, "What are we here for?" is on hand again at Chicago.

L. L. Brown, the Berkshire delegate to the Republican national convention, has notified his alternate, Mr. Wilkinson, that he does not expect to serve, though he may be there as a spectator.

President Arthur will lead on the first ballot at Chicago, in all probability, with Blaine second, but there is no likelihood that either of them will get the nomination. Sherman would like it, Logan is just dying for it, but neither will get it. If not Edmunds, it will undoubtedly be some new man.

The Republican national convention meets in Chicago next Tuesday, and will undoubtedly get through its work with greater celerity than did the last one, 1880, when the convention was in session six days, thanks to the Grant men, who held out to the end. The average length of the six conventions previous to 1880 was less than three days.

A complimentary banquet was given Judge Lowell by the Merchants' Association of Boston, at the Hotel Vendome last Friday evening, upon his retirement from the bar. About 125 gentlemen were present, including Gov. Robinson, Oliver Wendell Holmes, Gen. Banks and others. Augustus Whittemore presided.

A collision between a freight and an express train occurred on the New York Central road near Rochester, N. Y., early last Friday morning. Seven sleepers were thrown from the track, and 25 persons injured, among them Prince Yamashima of Japan, who is traveling in this country with his suite.

The new fast train on the New York & New England railroad between Boston and New York, will be put on next Sunday, and will make the distance between the two cities in five and one-half hours.

The factory of the Mayall rubber company at Reading, Pa., was burned Monday, throwing 100 hands out of employment, and causing a loss of about $200,000.

By the explosion of a bleacher in a strawboard mill at Watertown, N. Y., last Monday evening, five men were killed, and the building totally demolished.

Another bank teller, Charles A. Hinckley, of the West Side bank at New York, has departed with nearly $100,000 belonging to the institution.

The building of the Toronto *Mail* was considerably damaged by a fire which originated in the press room last Saturday morning.

The health record of Cincinnati is reported to have greatly improved since the flood cleansed the unwholesome districts.

THIS, THAT, AND THE OTHER.

As the weather getteth hotter, the married man smileth to himself as he thinketh that the time cometh, yea, and now is, when he will get his hair shingled and his wife will have no hold on him.

This is the kind of weather when a fellow wants to carry more change than an old suspender button in his pocket when he goes out of an evening, especially if there is an ice cream saloon in the place, and he's liable to meet his best girl.

It satisfies a man's relatives better if he dies rich while he was supposed to be poor, than if he dies poor supposed to be rich, but the man who is supposed to have the spondulix has a heap more fun while he is on earth than the other fellow, and don't you forget it.

An old Kentucky tramp who was befriended by a young lady, it being the first kindness shown him in years, asked her to give him her name, and when he died a short time ago left her a lot of money and a house and lot. Kentucky is now the tramps' paradise, as all the young ladies are looking for some ragged sinner to be kind to, and the other states may soon expect to be relieved of the nuisance.

An eye witness reports that a young fellow of about 18, while walking out one afternoon, not so very long ago, was observed to indulge in a number of hearty hugs on Main street, in full view of a number of houses.—Palmer JOURNAL.

Well, what of it? It is a pity that a decent young fellow can't hug himself without the newspapers poke fun at him. He probably had been to see his best girl. —*Waltham Record.*

Whatever may be the custom down Waltham way, the fellows here find something better to hug than themselves, and as this fact is generally understood, we did not deem it necessary to state that the fellow referred to had not only been to see his best girl, but had her with him, and probably could not wait until their return from the promenade.

LEGISLATIVE HAPPENINGS.

The Legislature has turned off a good deal of business during the past week, but has enough left to carry the session over into June.

The Vermont tax law has been rejected. The House has also rejected the employers' liability bill, and the resolve in favor of Walter Shanly.

The civil service reform bill has passed both branches at last, with the objectionable amendments cut off and some good features added.

Both branches have passed a bill authorizing an expenditure of $150,000 in refitting the Westboro reform school buildings for use as an insane hospital under the direction of the homeopathic school of medicine.

The finance committee has reported a state tax of $2,000,000. It is divided among the counties as follows:

Barnstable, $21,500; Berkshire, $43,300; Bristol, $128,840; Dukes, $3040; Essex, $263,000; Franklin, $26,300; Hampden, $88,740; Hampshire, $30,560; Middlesex, $326,100; Nantucket, $3060; Norfolk, $112,600; Plymouth, 55,900; Suffolk, $794,720; Worcester, $167,740.

The inevitable salary grab appeared in the House Tuesday. The committee reported against an increase of salaries, but a bill was substituted by an almost unanimous vote, raising them from $500 to $750, and the bill was engrossed, Wednesday, by a yea and nay vote of 122 to 74. We hope that the Senate will have the good sense to defeat the measure.

The Senate has backed down from its refusal to order an investigation of the hints of corruption in the water gas vote. The House voted in favor of a joint investigating committee, but the Senate frowned on the idea and finally ordered a committee of its own. From the way the investigation opens, there is evidently need enough of inquiry. Senator Whittier testified Tuesday night that he was offered $1000 to absent himself from the Senate when the final vote was taken, and some of the other senators manifested a disinclination to testify which indicates that there may be some decidedly interesting developements.

Although intended for a joke, it proved to be anything but one when a Norwalk, Ct., paper published last Friday a lengthy account of a long run on one of the oldest banks in town, referring to a sand bank. The article was headed "A Norwalk Bank in Trouble," and many excited depositors rushed to the Norwalk savings bank and drew their deposits before the affair could be explained. The run lasted all day, and about $30,000 was drawn out.

The French brig Senorine went ashore on the Grand Banks on the afternoon of the 22d, and sank in 15 minutes. Fifty-three passengers and nine of the crew were lost, only about 20 being saved. The captain lost his bearings in the fog, and when the ship struck was unable to restrain the officers and crew, who rushed for the boats, leaving the passengers to take care of themselves.

Friar Boniface, the priest of the Italian society of Boston who was charged with crookedness in handling the funds of St. Leonard's Catholic church, has sued the Boston *Herald* for $100,000 damages for alleged libel, and threatens to sue other papers thoughout the east.

A large tank containing crude petroleum belonging to the Atlantic oil works at Philadelphia, was struck by lightning last Friday evening. The fire communicated to other tanks, and at noon the next day fourteen were on fire. The loss will be over $600,000.

An express train ran into the side of a freight at Lavanworth, N. Y., Saturday night, while the latter was being run upon a siding. Four persons were killed and a number injured, and two coaches were burned.

A wire wound gun is soon to be constructed at the Washington navy yard. It will be composed entirely of American steel and American steel wire, and will be the first of the kind ever made in this country.

A grand reunion of the descendents of Rev. Thomas Carter, the first minister of Woburn, will be held at that place on June 11th, to which all Carters and their descendents and families are invited.

A St. Louis woman, while in a fit of insanity last Sunday, killed her three children, aged three months, four and six years, and then herself, with a razor.

LOCAL NOTICES.

A. J. Northrop and Merrill Stebbins wish to inform the public that they have one of the best assortments of fine carriages to be had in this county, which they offer for sale at very low figures.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

Look out for flower thieves.

Quite a heavy frost was reported Wednesday night.

Elder Enoch Phelps of Westfield will preach in the Advent chapel next Sunday.

Mrs. H. C. Davis of Waltham is spending a couple of weeks in town as the guest of Mrs. O. P. Allen.

The trial of Ned Lyons for the burglary of G. L. Hitchcock's store, commenced at Springfield yesterday.

The rain of Wednesday was much appreciated by farmers and those who had their gardens planted.

An exhibition of the Harden Hand Grenade, for extinguishing fires, was given on the park yesterday afternoon.

Fires were in great demand yesterday, and overcoats were worn on the street by those who wanted to keep comfortable.

The warm weather of last Sunday somewhat affected the church-goers, many absenting themselves on account thereof.

There was no fire at the school house on Wednesday, and school was dismissed early in the afternoon in consequence of the cold.

The special town meeting for the election of an assessor to fill the vacancy caused by the death of John Clough will be held next Monday.

The ladies of St. Pauls' Universalist society will give their annual strawberry festival at the church parlors next Tuesday evening.

A plank walk six feet wide is being laid from the east end of the new depot platform to the bridge over the railroad near the Weeks House.

L. E. Chandler of the JOURNAL started early this (Friday) morning for a two-days' bicycle run to the eastern part of the state. He expects to cover over 200 miles.

The JOURNAL is printed twenty-four hours earlier than usual this week, in order to give the employes of the office an opportunity to witness the exercises of Memorial Day.

The wedding of Jeweler Barton and Miss Anna Brown will take place at the residence of the bride's parents on North Main street next Thursday afternoon at four o'clock.

A new tank house is being built at the east end of the old depot, and the old one is to be taken down when the present depot building is removed and other improvements made.

A large gang of men were set at work on the railroad crossings early last Sunday morning, and the angle changed and the track moved so as to allow the New London Northern trains to come up to the new depot.

It was erroneously stated that O. P. Allen had taken out a fourth class license. It should have been reported a sixth class or druggists' license, for the sale of liquors for medicinal, mechanical or chemical purposes only.

A man at the depot Saturday morning endeavored to convince Station Agent Bostock that he had been defrauded out of fifty cents by being given the wrong change when purchasing a ticket several days before, and came near losing his train in making his argument.

The old watering trough which has served the public so long at the barn of David Knox on North Main street has this week been replaced by a new one of plank. The old one was a hollowed log, and was cut and placed in position by Mr. Knox and his father over 36 years ago.

Charles Bigelow was thrown from a carriage at Three Rivers last Sunday night and quite severely injured. In the darkness the carriage struck the fence along the canal near the railroad. The passageway is none too wide in daylight, and there have been several narrow escapes from accidents there.

Some of the boys are having quite a laugh at one of their number, who while indulging in a last caress at the gate a few nights since thought he saw *paterfamilias* approaching. The way he disappeared through the yard and over the back fence was a caution, while a neighbor stood by with a lantern and laughed to see him run.

Rev. Mr. Hunter stated, in the course of his remarks last Sunday morning, that he was thankful to say that during the year of his pastorate none of the people had said anything to him about the affairs of their neighbors, and had not taken pains to keep him acquainted with all the petty neighborhood scandals. Here's a "pointer" for the gossips of any society or any village.

The roller skating rink at Wales Hall will be open this afternoon and evening. In the evening Frank Clayton of Boston will give his exhibition entitled "There is music in everything," and proving the same by getting it from bottles, tin dippers, coffee pots, etc. Those who have seen him say it is an entertainment worth attending. One week from this evening, or June 6th, Miss Carrie Gilmore will make her second appearance here. Those who saw her when she was here before, will not miss this exhibition, and all who have not seen her should do so, as she gives an exhibition second to none.

An accident occurred on the Boston & Albany road at this place Wednesday afternoon. About 2 o'clock the engineer of a gravel train which had been switching about the yard, started to back up his engine, which was standing under the bridge over Main street. He was on the north main track, and not noticing that the switch which opened the cross-over to the other track was open, backed directly into an east-bound freight, which threw his engine from the track and carried it some distance before they could be stopped. The 2.04 express east was delayed about 30 minutes, and it was an hour and a half before the engine was got back on the track again.

A small audience gathered at Wales Hall on Monday evening to listen to the address by Rev. M. Dooly of New York, who is endeavoring to prepare the way in this vicinity for some of the poor children of New York, who are sent out for two weeks of fresh air during the heated term, by the *Tribune* Fresh Air Fund of that city. A committee of two ladies from each society was appointed to canvass the matter in the near future, and see how many families are willing to take one or more of these children for two weeks in July or August. The amount of good which this period does to these children who for the balance of the year breathe the impure air of the worst part of the city, cannot be imagined by those who have no opportunity to know the condition of their homes and surroundings. They are sent clean, and free from disease, thus removing the objections which might arise in the minds of some people from this cause, and we hope that arrangements may be made for a large number in this place.

Tuesday afternoon William Sherman was arrested for an assault on the bartender of the Nassowanno House. The case came up Wednesday morning, but was continued until next Monday. It seems that Sherman, with another man went to the bar and called for drinks. The bartender, a young man by the name of Shipman, not observing that Sherman was under the influence of liquor, set out glasses and a bottle, but soon noticing Sherman's condition, remarked, "I guess you've had enough," and refused to give him the drink. Sherman made some remarks, and started as though to leave the room, but while the bartender's back was turned, went through the office and behind the bar, where he seized Shipman by the shoulder, and turning him around with the remark, "What in h—l do you mean?" struck him on the head with a heavy bottle which he had taken from the shelf, breaking it and knocking his man down. Beyond a large bruise and a slight cut from the broken bottle he was not much hurt, and was able to be around the next day, though somewhat dizzy from the effects of the blow. Sherman is peaceable enough when sober, but when under the influence of liquor is a dangerous character, and as he has been engaged in several affairs of a like kind before, stands a good chance of a term behind the bars.

THE FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF REV. PLEASANT HUNTER'S PASTORATE.

Last Sunday completed the first year of Rev. Pleasant Hunter's pastorate at the Second Congregational church, and instead of the regular sermon in the morning, the pastor made a short address, taking as a basis for his remarks a part of the sixth verse of the sixteenth Psalm: "The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places." He spoke of having given up a plan for two more years of study, to occupy this pulpit at the earnest solicitation of the church; that the year had been a pleasant one, and the people of the parish kind and friendly and ready for any good work. He also said that several attempts at negotiations with him had been made, all at a considerably higher rate than he was at present receiving, but he had refused to listen to any of them, prefering to remain here. There was one thing, however, which had troubled him ever since he had known it, and which, had he been aware of when he was called to the church, he would not have come. This was the debt of over $3000 on the church and parsonage. He thought it was not right that the debt should be carried longer, and that unless it was raised within the year, it would be impossible for him to remain as pastor of the church. He wanted it pledged then and there, and explained a plan by which it could be done, and yet not prove a burdensome task. The sum to be raised was divided into fifty shares of $52 each—just $1 each Sunday for a year—and he called upon the people to take these shares upon themselves and pay the debt. Thirty-five shares were quickly taken, when the remaining ones were divided into half shares, or fifty cents a Sunday, and were soon all disposed of. A number then took quarter shares, and in fifteen minutes from the time of commencing fifty-five shares, or $2860, was pledged. The balance is to be made up by the ladies' society. Mr. Hunter is exceedingly popular, the church being better attended now than ever before, and the society thought it could not afford to lose him.

THE ANNUAL MEMORIAL ADDRESS TO THE G. A. R.

The L. L. Merrick Grand Army post having invited Rev. Pleasant Hunter to address them, together with the other resident clergy of Palmer, that body assembled in force Sunday evening at the Second Congregational church. The house was crowded with attentive listeners. Rev. Mr. Hunter gave the opening address, and recalled in an impressive manner some of the most thrilling incidents of the war in which the members of the post were engaged; how they had left home and loved ones, and all the promises of prosperity behind, to aid their country in its hours of direst need for a great principle; they fought with varying success, but with a steady purpose to win, and when the full purposes of Providence had been fulfilled, they had triumphed, and come back as citizen soldiers, to be honored. It was well, he said, that in the coming week they should assemble to decorate the last resting places of their fallen comrades, and thus renew the memory of those who had gone to untimely graves for their country; but while doing this, he would also have them to remember that a greater hero had given his life eighteen hundred years ago for the whole world; he would have them honor Him, in their lives and acts, by faith and obedience.

Rev. Mr. Hunt then followed with a well written address, bringing back in a vivid manner many scenes of the past, which were contrasted with the peaceful present, which result had been won by the stern bravery of the hardy sons of the North aided by the crowning smiles of heaven.

Then Rev. Mr. Perry spoke of his connection with the army, the trials and hardships of the soldier in the camp, and how when he had triumphed, the grand spectacle was presented of tens of thousands of men returning home and dropping back into the old channels of labor or business, showing how freely men who helped to govern could go from war to scenes of peace. In closing Mr. Perry said he could not forbear to allude to the fact that Palmer was one of the few remaining towns of the state which had not erected some suitable monument or memorial to the memory of its defenders. He suggested that the memorial should take the form of utility in the shape of a hall, which should contain tablets of the names of the fallen soldiers, and should at the same time furnish room for our public library and a museum for articles of historical value that might be gathered within the town. He hoped this result might be brought about in two years, so that on the twenty-fifth anniversary of the going forth of our first volunteers we might erect a memorial of which the whole town might be proud.

Rev. Mr. Joy closed the evening's services by remarking that he had not come to speak but to listen. After speaking in a pleasing manner to the post he said he heartily endorsed the suggestion of Mr. Perry, and hoped the erection of a memorial hall might be brought about.

WILBRAHAM.

The seniors of the academy had their class supper at the Allis House last Saturday evening.

PALMER CENTER.

Mrs. and Miss Jones who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. King have returned to their home in Hartford.

Master John King gave a lawn party to about 50 of his young friends last Saturday afternoon, the occasion being his 12th birthday. A very nice time was enjoyed by all.

BRIMFIELD.

The assessors have completed their valuation, and await the certificate of the state before assessing the tax for the year. As compared with last year they report as follows:

	1883.	1884.
Polls	302	300
Personal estate	$ 90,130	$ 91,400
Real estate	330,000	331,630
Horses	222	217
Cows	812	776
Sheep	208	202

WARREN.

Rev. Mr. Darling gives the Memorial address to-day in the town hall.

The Amherst college glee club will give a concert in the town hall Friday evening.

The woman's christian temperance union met with Mrs. Smith Thursday afternoon.

A large delegation go from here to attend the missionary meetings at Saratoga next week.

A strawberry festival is to be given by the ladies of the Home Missionary society in two weeks.

BELCHERTOWN.

There is to be a dramatic entertainment at the Town House next Friday evening, when the drama, "Among the Breakers," will be given by home talent.

Memorial Day services will be observed as usual by speaking, singing, etc. The services will take place at the Methodist church, after which the members of the Grand Army will proceed to Mt. Hope Cemetery and decorate the graves of the fallen dead. The Belchertown Cornet Band furnish music for the day.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

Rev. G. H. Mansfield preaches at the Chapel Sunday at 6 p. m.

Beacon Star Division has voted to meet on the last Tuesday of each month until Oct. 1st.

Memorial Day is not to be observed generally; business will take its usual course; a few veterans will visit Springfield in the afternoon.

The scarcity of fish in the market is not owing to lack of fishers, but Charles Tupper is the successful man, having taken out 40 of the speckled beauties one day last week, and Mr. Warren can also tell a thing or two about them.

WALES.

Two bicycles in town.

Farmers report a great abundance of potato bugs.

The ladies of the M. E. society held a social at the church vestry Wednesday evening.

J. E. Hubbard leaves in a few days for a trip of several weeks in the west.

Phineas Feather has resigned as superintendent of the Shaw Mill, and H. E. Shaw now has charge of the same.

One of our officials met a small boy on his way late in the afternoon going fishing, and jokingly offered him for 50 cents for a peck of fish if he would bring them that night. At bed-time, retiring as usual and after being soundly asleep, about midnight he was awakened by loud raps at his back door, when, on opening it, to his surprise there stood the boy with about half a bushel of different kinds of fish, who demanded his 50 cents, which was promptly paid over, and the boy went home, while the man spent the rest of the night skinning eels, etc.

THORNDIKE.

The Congregationalists held their strawberry festival at the vestry Wednesday evening. It was well attended and enjoyed by all.

A gathering of unusual interest took place last Thursday at the residence of William Harvey, a respected old-time citizen of this village, the occasion being the fiftieth anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey's. Relatives of the family were present from New York City, Hartford, Haddam, Windsor, Stafford Springs, Springfield and Webster, beside those in the immediate vicintity. The presents were numerous and appropriate, the bridegroom receiving an ebony cane with heavy gold head, the bride a valuable pin, both made especially for the occasion, beautifully engraved and properly inscribed, these were presented by the children, the grandchildren remembering them with gold coin. Among the other presents a noticable one was an album given by the nephews and nieces, containing cabinet photographs of the sisters, nephews and nieces of the bride, the presentation speech being made by Alvarado Howard of Stafford Springs. Only two or three who graced the first wedding were present at this, nearly all having passed on to the "many mansions" above. The occasion was very much enjoyed by all present, but by none more than the bride and groom, to whom the gathering was a complete surprise.

THREE RIVERS.

Potato bugs are up.

The mill will not run next Saturday, as the framework for new head-gates is to be put in that day.

There was a baptismal service at the river Sunday afternoon, Rev. F. B. Joy administering the rite in the presence of a large company.

A party of ten young men from this place attended the skating rink at Ware on Tuesday evening. They report a splendid time and no killed or wounded."

Mrs. Charles Nickerson, who had a toe taken from each foot by Dr. A. C. Downing a little over two weeks ago, is recovering rapidly, having been able for several days to walk without difficulty.

Sunday night, as a team belonging to Mr. Doyle of South Belchertown was rapidly turning the corner near the canal bridge the wagon, containing half a dozen people, two of whom were ladies, was upset, throwing the occupants out violently. No one was seriously injured.

It would seem that the remark of a prominent business man from a neighboring town, concerning that place, that "one would suppose from appearances that the drinking men of the place had felt themselves under some special obligation since the first of May to drink all the liquor they possibly could," might be applied quite aptly to this village, judging from the number of limber legs and boiled countenances seen about town since the license blessing was conferred upon the community.

BONDSVILLE.

The mill and dye works shut down on Memorial Day.

There was a heavy frost at this place Wednesday night, and many gardens suffered in consequence.

The M. E. society are making an effort to pay off their church debt of $1450. Over half of this amount has been pledged during the past week.

The Flynt Building & Construction Co. have taken the contract of building the addition to the dye works. The estimated cost of the new building and machinery is about $30,000.

The summer meeting of the Springfield District Methodist Ministerial Association will be held at Bondsville next Tuesday and Wednesday. The following is the programme for both days:

TUESDAY, JUNE 3D.

10.30 a. m., Devotional Exercises.
11 a. m., Organization, and Reports from Societies.
2 p. m., Plan of Sermon, Rev. E. P. Herrick of Pelham.
2.30 p. m., The Emotional Element in Religion; Shall it be Repressed? Cultivated? Guided? by Rev. W. H. Daniels of Amherst.
3.30 p. m., Some Account of the Recent General Conference. Rev. N. Fellows.
7 p. m., Love Feast.
7.45 p. m., Sermon by Rev. E. P. King of Holyoke.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4TH.

8.30 a. m., Prayer Meeting.
9 a. m., Future Punishment in the Light of Reason and of Revelation. Rev. W. G. Richardson of Warren.
10 a. m., Proof of Divinity of Christ Furnished by the Success of Christianity. Wm. Rice, D. D., of Springfield.
11 a. m., The Enduement of Power—What is it? Is it for All? How can it be Obtained? Rev. Geo. H. Clark of Bondsville.
2 p. m., How shall we make our next Camp-meeting more successful than any preceding one? Rev. J. H. Gaylord of E. Longmeadow.
3 p. m., What does the world justly demand of the Church? Rev. D. Atkins of Ludlow Center.

MONSON.

The selectmen meet Monday afternoon for the transaction of regular monthly business.

Charles Fowler, who was injured some time since by being thrown from a wagon, is still very low.

Rev. Dr. Enstis of Springfield will preach at the Congregational church next Sunday, morning and evening, by exchange with the pastor.

Rev. Albert Hammatt will preach Sunday morning on "Happiness." The hour of the evening service has been changed to 7.30. Theme, "Faults."

He said at the prayer meeting on a recent evening that "something had been running in his head," etc., and one of the sisters whispered that "a fine comb would be the best antidote."

The young people of the M. E. society, assisted by the Springfield Orchestral Club, will give a concert at Central Hall next Friday evening, the proceeds to go toward buying a new organ for the church. The concert will consist of old folks' songs, war songs by a large chorus of male voices, quartettes, duetts, solos, etc.

The reunion of the graduates and pupils of Monson academy last year was such a success that it has been decided to hold another this year on the 18th of June. An oration by Henry Brainard, L. L. D., one of the graduates, will be given in the morning, and probably a poem by one of the alumni. After dinner there will be a meeting of the alumni, with speech making. The minutes and addresses of last year's reunion have been printed, and can be had at cost at the various stores in town.

The M. E. church was filled to its utmost capacity last Sunday evening to hear Rev. Mr. Dooly of New York, who was to speak about the *Tribune* Fresh Air Fund. The speaker gave a pleasing address, speaking of the objects of the fund, its work, and the good it did, and closed with an appeal to the citizens to take some of the children for two weeks during the coming hot weather. Quite a number signified their willingness to do so, and a committee of two ladies from each society was appointed to further the cause.

WARE AND VICINITY.

A liquor sign has made its appearance on Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Corbit are to celebrate their china wedding next Monday.

C. C. Hitchcock and E. H. Gilbert are expecting to start for the Maine woods and famous fishing grounds early next week.

Rev. H. Matthews gave a very interesting memorial sermon to the members of J. W. Lawton Post, G. A. R., on Sunday evening.

The Sons of Temperance visited the division of the order at West Warren Monday evening, the occasion being a rosette party.

Joel Cutting exhibits his wonderful curiosity of a calf with a head and neck resembling that of a human being, at Firemen's Hall to-day.

The Sons of Temperance are to hold a strawberry festival at the skating rink next Wednesday evening, to which the public are invited. Large delegations are expected from adjoining towns.

Three thousand three hundred and seventy-six dollars it is reported has been received for liquor licenses. Will this pay for the sin, suffering and misery, as well as poverty of soul and body, that they will cause?

William H. Kelley, one of our Ware boys, has recently graduated from the Auburn Theological Seminary of New York, and been ordained and settled over the Presbyterian church at Spencertown, Columbia county, New York.

Patrick Sullivan, who was in the lock-up Saturday night for drunkenness, took off all his clothing except stockings and set fire to them. This is one story, and another is that as matches are not allowed in possession of those locked up, it might have been spontaneous combustion. No doubt if they were as well soaked in combustible fluid as the owner they burned easily.

NEWS MORSELS.

There are now 800 female physicians in the United States.

Over 800 miles of railroad track have thus far been laid in 1884.

The number of female physicians at present in Russia amounts to 350.

A Shelby county (Ky.) colored man sheared 121 sheep in one day.

A Delaware farmer has plowed under 40,000 herrings as a fertilizer.

Tom Thumb's estate at Bridgeport has been sold at auction for $13,420.

A Philadelphia lady has had several Wagner selections arranged for the banjo.

It is proposed to make a direct road for cyclists from London to Brighton.

During the past nine years nearly 800 churches have been burned in America.

R. Whyatt, the English walking champion, recently walked a mile in 6m. 29 1-5s.

The state tax of New York will be $2,000,000 less next year than it is the present.

It is alleged that a French chemist has discovered a cure for the rabies by inoculation.

There are now eleven states in which women are allowed to vote on school affairs.

Philadelphia is about to try the experiment of moving horse cars by the cable system.

Minnesota has no less than 7000 lakes, which take up over 2,700,000 acres of territory.

The debt of the city of Boston increased the past year to the amount of nearly two millions.

Edward Eggleston's daughter Allegra is claimed to be the best woman wood carver in America.

Predictions are made that the wheat crop of Dakota will this year aggregate 35,000,000 bushels.

Miss Kate Sanborn, the lecturer, says that no two women are alike, but men can be arranged in bundles.

The run of salmon is light in Oregon this season, and the pack is likely to show a falling off of 50,000 cases.

It is intimated that after the political campaign the New York morning papers will go back to the old price.

There are now in the Zoölogical Gardens, London, 751 mammals, 1598 birds and 263 reptiles, a total of 2398 creatures.

The Washington Monument is now 430 feet in height. Hope is that it will be finished yet before the Bartholdi pedestal.

The Germans steadily increase their navy. Twenty-four torpedo boats are now under construction, besides many larger vessels.

The Curtis home for indigent old woman and orphans at Meriden is about finished at a cost of $40,000, and will be dedicated June 28.

The Lake Pleasant camp-meeting continues this year from August 3 to September 1, with spiritual speeches and exercises each day.

The coming New Orleans Exposition promises to be a great success. Its building will probably be the largest of the kind in the world.

It is proposed to build an island of forty acres in Lake Michigan at Chicago, one mile from the shore, to be used as a summer resort.

The balance sheet of a gambling concern at Monte Carlo for the past year shows 12,000,000 francs won and 50 suicides among the losers.

It costs just $1 in Milwaukee to say that a man is "personally a very fine fellow, but politically a scoundrel." A police court fixed the price, in a slander suit.

Col. Thomas H. Guernsey, who is said to have originated the term "copperhead" during the war, died at Boston last Tuesday.

The hall in which the national Republican convention at Chicago will be held will seat about 7,500 persons besides the delegates and alternates. Six hundred seats, with tables, will be provided for the newspaper men. About a thousand seats will be placed at the disposal of the Chicago committee of arrangements, and the remainder of the seats will be assigned pro rata to the delegates from the several states.

A "Sleepy Hollow" town is Decatur, Ga. Forty years ago it refused to allow a railroad station to be built there, and thus made away for Atlanta, six miles further up. The Town Council passed two ordinances last week, one forbidding children to play marbles on the streets and the other allowing hogs to run at large.

Women now serve as jurors in Washington Territory. In speaking of the fact a Deputy District-Attorney of Seattle said recently: "This new law is the grandest thing that has happened to Seattle. I tell you it looks nice to see these cloaks and bonnets hanging up there, and there is only one spittoon in the court room and, that is seldom used."

A couple of ministers went into the mayor's office at Chicago the other day and Harrison with his hat on, quite at home with a crowd which looked like a collection of jail birds but was in fact a "delegation" of democratic politicians, and the air was "blue with profanity," the mayor contributing his full share.

Daniel Keim, a farmer of Berks county, Pa., reported to be worth $50,000, walked to Reading, a distance of ten miles, carrying about a peck of gold and silver in an ordinary grain bag on his back. He took this precaution on account of a recent robbery which took place in his neighborhood.

The following message was sent to Washington from the postmaster of Nutt, New Mexico: "Our town has gone to the sweet by-and-by. Only one family left. I respectfully resign my position as postmaster here. Westward the star of the Empire takes its way and also the P. M."

The American Bible society has published and bought 2,115 765 copies of the Bible in the last year, of which nearly 2,000,000 were distributed—510,646 in foreign countries. The receipts of the society were $640,719 and the expenses $762,106.

M. Chevreuil still lectures on chemistry in the Paris museum of natural history, at the age of 98. He told his class the other day that he could not possibly account for it, but he really was beginning to lose his memory for names.

General Booth, of the English Salvation Army, is accountable to no one for the receipts of the Army. Last year they amounted to $1,965,000. In America this would be called a "blind pool."

The widow of Capt. Matthew Webb, who lost his life in the Niagara whirlpool, has accepted the position of cashier in the Whirlpool Rapids park at Suspension bridge.

Farmers in England are taking to beet growing.

June Magazines.

St. Nicholas for June is essentially an out-of-door number, nearly every article taking the reader out into the woods and fields, yet without sacrifice of variety of subject and interest. "The Scarlet Tanagar," Mr. Trowbridge's serial, shows how much easier one can get into a scrape than out again. "Marvin and his Boy Hunter" are after small game on the Indiana prairies, while a source of much pleasure and profit to many girls and boys is made known to them in Mrs. Herrick's paper on "Queer Game." W. W. Fink's story, "Two Boys of Miggiesville" shows the boys what can be accomplished even under unfavorable circumstances by energy, push and perseverance. There is also a paper for the girls, "Margaret's 'Favor Book,'" though the boys may be equally benefited by its lessons. There is a poem "The Brownies' Voyage," and among the contributors are Lucy Larcom, Helen Gray Cone, and others. The illustrations are good and "Jack-in-the-Pulpit" contains interesting instances of the longevity of domestic animals.

The Delineator for June is ready for the ladies' use, and all who are fortunate enough to possess it will find it a great help in planning and executing summer wardrobes, for the little ones are practically remembered in patterns and suggestions. Lovers of fancy work will find assistance and hints regarding South Kensington work and the department "Artistic Needle Work" contains much that will interest those who care for such things. There is also an article on "Styles for Gentlemen," and the papers on "Fashionable Millinery," "Dressing for the Neck and Wrists," "Inexpensive Costumes," "Paris Letter," "Good Manners," as well as other topics will be found valuable and of general interest. "Rambles among Books," and "Answers to Correspondents" complete the number. Price $1 yearly. Published by The Buttrick Publishing Co., 555 Broadway, New York.

The June *Century* has four illustrated papers and four full page pictures, yet is perhaps even more notable in literary features than pictures. "Diary of an American Girl in Cairo during the war of 1882," is a vivid narrative of the life of General C. P. Stone's family during the month that mother and daughters were exposed in Cairo to great uncertainties and dangers, while General Stone was at his post with the Khedive, and aiding in the English operations against Arabi. President Eliot, of Harvard, in "What is a Liberal Education?" claims that the Sciences and English should have leading places in school and college courses, and Dr. Washington Gladden in "The Use and Abuse of Parties," has advice for politicians. Henry James' new story "Lady Barberina," in this number, concerns itself with the complications of marriage settlements; Mr. Cable's "Dr. Sevier," is continued; and Robert Grant's story of "An Average Man" is concluded. The short story of the number is a vivacious sketch of character and incident by H. C. Bunner, entitled "The Red Silk Handkerchief" The poetry is contributed by Kenyon Cox, Dr. T. W. Parsons, Miss Emma Lazarus, John Vance Cheney, Christopher P. Cranch, Richard Watson Gilder, and Mrs. Helen Jackson, (H. H.), and there are several clever and amusing poems in "Bric-a-Brac."

The June *Atlantic* brings the end of "A Roman Singer," Mr. Crawford's best story; and additional chapters of Dr. Weir Mitchell's "In War Time." Richard Grant White has a second paper on "The Anatomizing of William Shakespeare," in which he pays pungent respect to a recent critic of the Riverside Shakespeare. Rev. J. G. Wood writes of "The Trail of the Sea-Serpent," showing what it is and where it has been seen. Political articles of timely interest are "The New Party," by J. Lawrence Laughlin, and a letter from "An Old War Horse to a Young Politician," by William H. McElroy. O. B. Frothingham writes of "Washington as it Should be;" Dr. Holmes pays a hearty tribute to the late Thomas Gold Appleton, brother-in-law of Mr. Longfellow; D. O. Kellogg discusses "Penury not Pauperism," and Olive Thorne Miller writes of the thrush, "The Bird of Solitude." The short story, "Wentworth's Crime," is by Frank Parks; an anonymous writer describes "Paris Classical Concerts," and there are poems by Dr. T. W. Parsons and Mrs. Piatt. Reviews of important new books, with a good Contributors' Club, conclude an excellent number. Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston.

The Eclectic Magazine for June has a number of notable articles, the paper by Herbert Spencer, on "The Coming Slavery," being one to arrest the attention of thinking readers. A striking essay in another vein, by Archdeacon Farrar, is on "Frederick Denison Maurice," who has affected religious life in England more than any other man of his time. Matthew Arnold's American lecture, "Numbers; or, the Majority and the Remnant," is published in full. Special attention is called to Swinburne's vigorous and pungent criticism, entitled "Wordsworth and Byron," which will be concluded in the next number. Frederick Harrison's "Historic London" will be read with interest, and among readable minor articles may be noted "Christopher North," by Viscount Cranbrook; "The Origin of the Electric Light," from *Chamber's Journal*; "Two Literary Breakfasts," by Charles Mackay; and "A New Theory of Sun-Spots," by Richard A. Proctor. The story of "Bourgonef," from *Blackwood's*, is of marked power. The whole number is good—as usual.

The *North American Review* for June opens with an article on "Harboring Conspiracy," by Prof. Henry Wade Rogers, who examines, in the light of international law and the national constitution, the question as to how far our government may and must go in suppressing plots against governments with which we are at peace. Henry D. Lloyd, in the same number, shows how every branch of production is coming under the control of "Lords of Industry," corporations and monopolies. Elizabeth Stuart Phelps has an article marked by rare philosophic force upon the "Struggle for Immortality." Other articles of not less importance are: "Sociological Fallacies," by Prof. W. G. Sumner; "The Rise and Fall of Authority," by President J. C. Welling; "Walt Whitman," by Walker Kennedy; and a symposium on "Expert Testimony," by Rossiter Johnson, Dr. W. W. Godding, T. O'Conor Sloane and Dr. Charles L. Dana.

The June *Harper's* brings a breath of summer in two of its descriptive papers, "Biarritz," by Lucy C. Lillie and illustrated by Reinhart, which is full of the charms of the Basque, and "The North Shore," by John A. Butler, illustrated by Charles Graham, describes the north shore of Lake Superior, giving delightful glimpses of the old voyageurs and fur traders. Dr. Wheatley gives a thorough review of the operations of the New York Custom-house, and as it is a matter of general interest everybody will read with interest this careful record of its transactions. It is well illustrated. Colonel Higginson, in his chapter on John Quincy Adams's administration, gives an interesting glimpse of Washington society in that period, and also a comprehensive review of the national progress. An interesting feature of this chapter is its consideration of the attitude of the President and his predecessors toward internal improvements. The paper has two full-page portraits—John Quincy Adams and John C. Calhoun. An installment of "Nature's Serial Story" gives opportunity for fine floral and landscape drawings, and the sixth part of Judith "Shakespeare" furnishes an illustration for frontispiece. There are three short stories, poems by Mrs. Craik and Louise Chandler Moulton, and well-filled editorial departments, all forming an interesting number.

Geerit Miller of Peterboro, N. Y., has the bossy cow, so to speak. She is called "Empress," of Dutch or Holstein parentage, and yielded in the 12 months ending April 17 just 1971¼ pounds of butter.

A New York observer who has studied types of feminine beauty during a long course of years says that the blonde is gradually disappearing in this country—or, at least, in New York.

Charles Reade not only made money as an author, but was successful in speculations, and is now reported to have accumulated a fortune of $500,000.

"Why live and be miserable when you can be comfortably buried for £3.10?" is the way an undertaker at Newcastle-on-Tyne, Eng., advertises.

An odd invention appearing at the patent office is a "life-saving coffin," made so that if a person is buried alive the least motion will give an alarm.

At Vallejo, Cal., the chief engineer of the fire department had his eye gouged out by a stream of water that was turned into his face during a fire.

The daughter of ex-Congressman Crowley of New York died at Lockport last week. Her death was caused, it is said, from mortification at being jilted by Allan Arthur, the president's son, to whom she had been engaged.

Walker Bros. & Tobey, Springfield, are ready with their full line of Pearl and Nutria Derby hats for the summer. These goods are light, dressy and as cool as a straw hat. They are introducing a new shade called "London Fog," which promises to become very popular. They are also showing a large assortment of Dunlap and Baltimore Mackinaws, which cost no more than cheaper straws and wear much longer.

Broadhurst Bros., Morse's shoe store, 376 Main street, Springfield, have been piling in the summer shoes this week so fast that their timid competitors begin to fear lest the famous "Central" will now scoop in *all* the country trade.

Bookcases of every style are furnished at low prices at Paine's Furniture Warerooms, 48 Canal St., Boston. Send for photos. and price list.

No young man can look well dressed in an ill-fitting suit, no matter of how good material. But every young or old man will be sure of a complete fit and goods as represented, who goes to the fashionable tailors, David Campbell & Co., Cooley's Hotel Building, Springfield. The entrance is second to none in the city.

I was suffering from catarrh for fifteen years, with distressing pain over my eyes. The disease worked down upon my lungs. I used Ely's Cream Balm with gratifying results. Am apparently cured.—Z. C. WARREN, Rutland, Vt.

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When you have the Itch, Salt Rheum, Galls, or Skin Eruption of any kind, and the Piles, that you know without being told of it. G. L. Hitchcock, Palmer, G. L. Keeney, Monson, and C. E. Blood, Ware, the druggists, will sell you Dr. Bosanko's Pile Remedy for 50 cents, which is a sure cure for either of the above diseases. 1y15eow

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An Eye to Business.

O. P. Allen, the druggist, is always wide-awake to business and spares no pains to secure the best of every article in his line. He has secured the agency for Kemp's Balsam for Consumption, Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, and all affections of the throat and lungs. Sold on a positive guarantee. Price 50 cents and $1.00. Trial size free. cow17

Cause of Failure.

Want of confidence accounts for half of the business failures of to-day. G. L. Hitchcock, Palmer, G. L. Keeney, Monson, and C. E. Blood, Ware, the druggists, are not liable to fail for want of confidence in Dr. Bosanko's Cough and Lung Syrup, for they give away a bottle free to all who are suffering with coughs, colds, asthma, consumption, and all affections of the throat and lungs. 1y15eow

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At Boudsville, 26th, KATE SULLIVAN, 35.
At Wilbraham, 23d, Mrs. LYDIA HILL, 81, formerly of Three Rivers.
At Wilbraham, 25th, Mrs. MARTIA WARNER, 86.
At Ludlow, 25th, WILLIAM WAIT, 72.
At Hardwick, 25th, JASON M. ROBINSON, 61.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.—HAMPDEN ss. To H. A. Northrop, Constable of the town of Palmer:

You are hereby directed to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the town of Palmer qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet at the Town House, on Monday, the second day of June next, at 10 o'clock a. m., to act on the following articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1st.—To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2.—To bring in their votes for one assessor to fill the vacancy caused by the death of John Clough.

The polls will be opened at 10 o'clock a. m. and close at 12 o'clock m.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies of this warrant at the different public places designated by vote of the town, seven days at least before the holding of said meeting, and cause this warrant to be printed in the Palmer Journal, at least two issues before the holding of said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the town clerk, on or before the holding of said meeting.

Given under our hands this nineteenth day of May, A. D. 1884.

D. B. BISHOP, } Selectmen of
H. G. LOOMIS, } Palmer.

A true copy. Attest: H. A. NORTHROP, Constable.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.—HAMPDEN, ss. PROBATE COURT.—To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Franklin Stebbins, late of Palmer, in said county, deceased, Greeting:

Whereas, a certain instrument, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, has been presented to said Court, for probate, by Malvina A. Dill, of said Palmer, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her the executrix therein named, and that she may be exempt from giving a surety on her official bond as such executrix,

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Springfield, in said county of Hampden, on the first Tuesday of June next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, against the same.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once a week, for three successive weeks, in the newspaper called the Palmer Journal, published at Palmer, the last publication to be two days, at least, before said court.

Witness, William S. Shurtleff, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this thirteenth day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four.

3w7 SAMUEL B. SPOONER, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.—HAMPDEN, ss. Probate Court.—To the heirs-at-law, and others interested in the estate of Sabra M. Lemon, late of Wilbraham, in said county, deceased, Greeting:

Whereas, Edwin F. Lemon, administrator of the estate of said deceased, has presented to said court his petition for license to sell the whole of the real estate of said deceased for the payment of debts and charges of administration, and for other reasons set forth in said petition:

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be holden at Springfield, in said county, on the first Tuesday of June next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, against the same.

And said administrator is ordered to serve this citation by publishing the same once a week, three weeks successively, in the Palmer Journal, a newspaper published at Palmer, the last publication to be two days at least before said Court.

Witness, William S. Shurtleff, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twelfth day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four.

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Will give every customer for the next 30 days a package of

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1st PRIZE—Suit or Overcoat, valued at $15
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One-tenth of mill and mine;
One-tenth of every craft
Wrought out by gifts of thine.

One-tenth of glowing words
That glowing dollars hold;
One-tenth of written thoughts
That turn to shining gold.

One-tenth! and dost thou, Lord,
But ask this meagre loan,
When all the earth is thine,
And all we have thine own?

—*Churchman.*

POULTRY BREEDING.

Fanny Field in the *Poultry Messenger* says:

While riding through a neighboring village the other day, my attention was attracted by a flock of white fowls, and I stopped to obtain a closer view. They were of medium size, shaped very much like the Plymouth Rocks, pure white plumage, clean yellow legs and small single combs. I am not at all bashful where chickens are concerned, so I hunted up the owner and began to ask questions.

"What breed are those chickens?"

"No breed in particular."

"But they are as much alike as two peas! where did you get them?"

"Raised 'em."

"I mean where did you get the original stock?"

"All the original stock I had was one white hen very much like these, only she was not quite so large. I found her in a coop of market poultry, took a fancy to her and bought her. That year we had a white rooster something like the White Leghorns that you have now-a-days, and a good many of the chicks hatched were pure white. Wife and I always liked white fowls; so we kept all the white pullets, and that winter while we were visiting wife's folks out in New York state, I found a rooster that looked like the white hen I found the year before. The next year our chickens were pretty much all white, and the third year we did not hatch a single colored chicken. Some of them had white legs, and the combs were all shapes and sizes, but we kept at work killing off the white legged ones, and those whose combs did not suit, until now they breed pretty true—quite as true as any of your standard breeds."

"How long has it taken?"

"About fifteen years."

"And have you been breeding those fowls in and in all this time?"

"Yes, I suppose that's what you call it; at any rate since I brought that white rooster from York State, we've always kept some of the best of the roosters that we raised, and have never bought either fowls or egg."

"Are your fowls and chickens always healthy, lay well, etc?"

"We don't often lose a chicken except by hawks, and when I see a sick hen, I kill her and have done with it; but that don't happen more than once or twice a year. Lay well? Last year my hens averaged 157 eggs apiece, and most of the hens raised a brood of chickens apiece. Wife kept accounts, so there is no question about it. Look at these eggs"—and he exhibited a basket of large, fine, white eggs. A dozen taken just as they came weighed twenty-six ounces.

Don't this man's experience rub pretty hard against the theories of the fellows who tell us that the poultry raiser must change breeding cocks every year, in order to keep his fowls from deteriorating? It looks that way to us.

Rev. Penstock arose in his usual graceful manner and announced that he was in receipt of several private letters, suggesting that the Lime-Kiln Club form itself into a military organization, and be prepared to rush to the defense of its country in time of peril. The idea struck him as 16x24, and he hoped it would prevail.

"In case of sich an organizashun, have we de right man fur a kurnel?" asked the president.

"I—I—that is—well, I specks I know sumthin' 'bout de kurnel bizness," stammered Penstock.

"An' so do I!" added thirteen other members in chorus.

"Am dar any member in his hall to-night who knows how to be a private soldier?" asked the president.

The silence for the next thirty seconds could have been knocked down by a crowbar.

"De subjeck am postponed," continued Brother Gardner. "Six or seben hundred kurnels an' no rank an' file wouldn't be 'cordin' to either Hardee or Hoyle. In kase de kentry am placed in peril we'll send substitutes.—*Detroit Free Press.*

To do the same thing over and over again for years, without heart or improvement, may indeed be called experience, but it is a profitless one. Some people who are proudest of boasting of their experience have the least reason to be proud of it. To have spent ten or twenty years in the same pursuit does not, of itself, entitle a man to respect and honor; but to have spent as many months in steadfast progress, to have brought to bear upon his employment all his past training, to have put into it fresh thought and renewed vigor, to have experiments, studied methods, and planned improvements, that is an experience we justly esteem.

Judge, severely—"How do you know the defendant is a married man? Were you ever at his house?" "No, sir." "Do you know him personally?" "No, sir." "Did anybody ever tell you they were married?" "No, sir; but when I see a man and woman come to the same church regularly for three years, occupy the same pew, and have a hymn-book apiece to sing out of, I don't want to see no marriage certificate from them. I can swear to their relation all the time." Verdict for the plaintiff.

I think all lines of the human face have something either touching or grand unless they seem to come from low passions. How fine old men are!—*George Eliot.*

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Or that the brief and plain must needs be weak.
To whom can this be true who once has heard
The cry for help, the tongue that all men speak,
When want, or woe, or fear is at the throat
So that each word gasped out is like a shriek
Pressed from the sore heart, or a strange, wild note
Sung by some fay or fiend? There is a strength
Which dies if stretched too far or spun too fine,
Which has more height than breadth, more depth than length.
Let but this force of thought and speech be mine,
And he that will may take the sleek, fat phrase,
Which glows and burns not, though it gleam and shine;
Light, but not heat—a flash without a blaze.
Nor is it mere strength that the short word boasts;
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The roar of waves that dash the rock-bound coasts,
The crash of tall trees when the wild winds swell,
The roar of guns, the groans of men that die
On blood-stained fields. It has a voice, as well,
For them that far-off on their sick beds lie,
For them that weep, for them that mourn the dead,
For them that laugh and dance and clasp the hand.
To joy's quick step, as well as grief's low tread,
The sweet, plain words we learn at first keep time,
And, though the theme be sad, or gay, or grand,
With each, with all, these may be made to chime
In thought, or speech, or song, or prose, or rhyme.

ALL FOR A TRIFLE.

The twilight was settling down in misty grayness over the hilltops and trees, the birds twittered a sleepy good-night and retired to rest, and the stars began to peep out one by one, as Paul Everson and May Brooks walked slowly along the dusty highway together. They had grown up from early childhood together, and it had been a favorite scheme of their elders to unite the families and property through these young people.

Like wise old generals, though, as they were, not a whisper of this was breathed to the young people, the plotters knowing full well that with the natural depravity of the human race, they would no sooner learn what was expected of them than they would do all in their power to thwart the arrangement. So they had been permitted to have their own way, the result being that six months before my story opens, Paul had one evening slipped a heavy ring on May's finger, and leading her to their parents, had asked their blessing on the union. It was given with a heartiness that surprised and delighted the young couple, who had supposed their relatives to be deaf and blind to all that was transpiring. Then had followed delightful days, now and then shadowed by small clouds of jealousy, which melted away again in the sunshine of true love.

Paul was unreasonably jealous. Why was May always so gracious to the other fellows? Had she not won him? What did she need of others, especially that Tom Elton?

They were cousins, he knew, but that was no reason why they should be on such affectionate terms. Walking, boating, driving, when he wanted May to himself; even corresponding when Tom was called away for a day or so. He did not like it, but he did not venture to tell May of his disapproval. She would only laugh and call him jealous, while he was not jealous, only grieved at her lack of affection for him.

So he bore it by himself, never explaining the coldness he could not always hide as he thought of Tom. And May wondered and questioned, endured and loved.

The wedding was to have taken place at Christmas, a year from the betrothal, but in June an uncle of Paul's died in Paris and bequeathed him his fortune—not a large one, by any means—but it would be a great help to these moderately circumstanced lovers. There was some difficulty in settling the affairs of the estate, which made it necessary for Paul to go there and remain until all was arranged.

This was his last evening at home. He did not know when he should return. He could not under a year, at least, perhaps not for two. He urged May to hasten her arrangements and accompany him, but this she refused to do. She could not get ready in so short a time, and mamma seemed so feeble after her fever. On the whole she thought it best to postpone their wedding until his return. Paul pleaded, then scolded and finally submitted with a very ill grace indeed.

"May, dear," he said, as they slowly walked together under the large maple trees, "dear one, you will write often, will you not?"

"Yes, every day. Oh, dear, I wish your uncle had willed his fortune to some one else! It takes you far away from me, and then people are so silly, you know; they may say that I—married you for your money."

"Who is silly now?" laughed Paul, drawing her closer to him and imprinting a kiss on her rosy lips so temptingly upraised. "As if we cared for people! Beside, my fortune is too small to be very enticing. But I wish this legacy was drowned in the depths of the Dead Sea. I cannot bear to leave you. Come with me, May. It is not too late, even now. Oh, come, please come," he urged fondly.

"I cannot, Paul. My duties lie here at home with mamma."

"And Tom. I comprehend at last."

Paul's jealousy had found a voice.

"What do you mean?" demanded May, drawing away from him, and gazing at him in astonishment and displeasure.

"Mean," retorted Paul, wrathfully, "Don't you drive with him, row with him, write to him, have him hanging about you half the time, all the while you are engaged to me? Do you suppose I like that? Now you refuse to go where you think you cannot see him," he said, his temper fairly running away with him.

May turned very white. She slowly drew off her ring, and as he finished speaking she said, quietly—

"If that's your opinion of me, it is as well that we part," and she handed him the ring.

"Very well," said he. "You are free. Marry Tom if you will."

He walked rapidly away without a glance behind him.

May slowly walked home, her one wish to be entirely alone somewhere with her grief, away from all prying eyes. She entered the side gate intending to steal unnoticed up the kitchen stairs to her own room, when her mother called her from the veranda.

"May, is that you? Please bathe my head, dear; it aches so dreadfully."

So poor May was obliged to sit down and listen to her mother's praises of Paul and regrets for his necessary trip, until it seemed as if she should go quite wild.

Oh, the torture of those few first days, with everybody asking questions as to the why and wherefore of the quarrel! Aunt Elton was the most troublesome of all. She was a stout, tall woman, about fifty-five years of age, and possessed of a very sharp tongue.

"What is this I hear?" she said, walking into the parlor the next evening, tossing her shawl in one chair, her gloves in another, and untying her bonnet strings, infallible signs of a wordy battle. "Paul Everson has jilted you, has he? No more than I expected. He is too proud and aristocratic to marry in this little place. He will bring a noble, titled wife home with him. Oh, I tell you, those Eversons are proud! Dreadfully high-tempered folks, too. A nice life you would lead with them! You may be thankful you are rid of them. He would not quarrel with you, just as he was going away, if he loved you. Mark my words, he will bring home a wife. I wouldn't cry away all my beauty for him."

Mrs. Elton glanced contemptuously at May's pale face and red eyelids But May would hear no more.

"Aunt Harriet, I would thank you to let my affairs alone. You are always interfering," she said, chokingly, and left the room.

"Such a temper!" remarked Aunt Harriet severely. "Lucy, I wonder at your allowing such behavior to pass unrebuked."

"You tried her too far, Harriet. Remember how nervous she is," said gentle Mrs. Brooks, mildly.

"Oh, what did I say?" sobed May, as she locked herself into her room and laid her throbbing head on the pillws. "I am always impertinent to Aunt Hrriet, and it grieves mamma. But she is so disagreeable—continually meddling. I hate meddlers!"

But her aunt talked and the gossips talked, and May, being a woman was forced to stay quietly at home in the very midst of gossip, and entertain envious guests, conscious of their close scrutiny to see if "she took it much to heart." Ah how hard it was! Whereas Paul was far from all annoying questions, so busily engaged with his troublesome estate as to live scarcely a thought beside.

Memories of May would float through his mind occasionally, but would soon vanish in the press of business. He had not forgotten. He felt the separation as bitterly as May; but a man cannot spare the time for sentiment or vain regrets. The busy world comes in between

A year passed. Paul was still in Paris. A long trial, involving the estate, was stretching its weary way through the courts. Until that was ended he must stay.

Another year rolled by, and Tom was married to a favorite friend of May's, sweet Nellie Wingate. May was the bridesmaid, with a face as white as the dress she wore. She was fragile as a lily now. The old bloom was gone. In its place was a new sweetness, rays of God's sunlight illumined her face as only those are limned who win the crown of light through suffering.

And May had borne much sorrow since the happy days of Paul's love Her mother had faded almost imperceptibly, until the Death Angel came and bore her away. She had smiled a loving good-night upon them at bedtime one night, and sit them from her as usual, and the next morning they found her with the same sweet smile upon her lips; but the dear lips would never speak again. She was "asleep in Jesus."

Before May fully realized her loss her father was stricken with a low fever, and he, too, passed away. May was left entirely alone, with just enough money to support her. She lived quietly at the old home—her first appearance in society after the death of her father being at Tom's wedding. She had laid aside her mourning for that evening, appearing in white without ornaments. Her dark brown hair coiled low on her neck; the large blue eyes were dark with excitement, and now and then a smile lighted up the pale face with marvelous beauty.

Tom and Nellie were going to Europe on their wedding trip, and urged May to accompany them in the hope of recovering some of her lost brightness. She at last consented, a wild hope of seeing Paul urging her to it. She had heard nothing from him since their bitter parting two years and a half ago. Not a word of sympathy or condolence with her great sorrow, and his silence hurt her cruel

The first few weeks of their foreign tour were spent in London. The time passed slowly to May. She heard nothing for the sight-seeing, for the new English friends, or for anything in Great Britain. Her thoughts were in Paris. To the lovers the days flew by on swift-stirring wings. There is really "nothing half so sweet in life as love's young dream." Sometimes it proves to be a nightmare, however. May felt as if her love-dream had had very bitter awakening. Try as she would she could not forget Paul, and the memory was very sad, recalling those old days, as it did, with father and mother to love and shield her. Should she see Paul, and how would he look? What would he have to say? Did he love her still? Over and over she asked these questions.

Would Tom and Nellie never be ready for Paris? It seemed not. From London to Glasglow, thence to Edinburgh and Melrose Abbey, then through Ireland, they went, spending a week in each place. They visited the homes of Shakespeare and Sir Walter Scott, explored the Tower of London and Westminster Abbey, and even attended the queen's drawing-room through the influence of a Lady Somebody.

At last, when they had been away from home for three months, Tom announced that they would next "do" Paris. May was in a fever of excitement during the packing up, though she appeared very cool. The channel was rough that day, and before they reached their destination May was seriously ill. The best doctors were summoned, and Tom and Nellie watched over her faithfully without a thought of self. Day after day she lay in a heavy stupor, unconscious of the loving care bestowed upon her, but the tenth day a change came, and she talked wildly of Paul.

"O Paul, Paul," she moaned. "Come to me!"

This was her constant cry, with frequent allusions to Tom, which her watchers could not understand.

"She means Paul Everson," whispered Nellie, "Find him, Tom, if he is anywhere on the face of the earth. She will die unless she sees him. Her heart is breaking, and I never knew it. She will die unless she sees him. I thought she had ceased to love him. Search everywhere for him. Begin at once."

And Tom did search. He employed detectives, addressed letters to his lawyer, advertised in Paris, London and New York papers, walked up and down the streets in hope of a chance meeting, in short, he did all he could; but no Paul appeared. The time passed. May was gradually failing. She was conscious now, but never talked much; only lay all day long with her face turned toward the door as if expecting some one.

Nellie sat alone with May one night. Tom was closeted with a detective in another room. They thought they had a clue at last: the man employed spoke with confidence for the first time.

In the sick room all was still. May's breathing was very faint. Her eyes were closed; there was a deeper pallor on her cheek.

Nellie cried softly as she gently forced the cordial between the pale lips.

"She cannot live through the night," she said sadly. "Oh, why does not Paul come? Poor May! What a sad life hers has been since they parted! She will be at rest soon, but, oh, how I shall miss her! Oh, May, May!" And Nellie buried her face in her hands and cried bitterly.

Out on the street the noise of every-day life sounded loud and clear. It was June now. The streets were crowded with people. A merry young voice gayly whistled "*La Fille du Regiment*" as it passed under the window. Nellie shivered and closed the window.

A faint rap on the door. Nellie did not hear it. She was gazing on the street with its bright lights, gay crowds, and rich carriages.

Some one entered and stole softly up to the bed. May's eyes were closed, but she opened them as she felt a slight touch on her hand. Paul was kneeling beside her, his arms were about her, his cheek was against hers, his eyes gazing lovingly into hers.

May smiled faintly, and closed her eyes again with a sigh of satisfaction. Nellie slipped out without a word.

"Oh, Tom," she cried, "Paul has come, and May will live, I know she will! You should have seen her face. It shone like an angel's!" and, regardless of the detective, Nellie laid her head on Tom's shoulder and sobbed.

Late in the night, while May was sleeping, Paul went into the parlor and explained his delay in coming. He had gone home in October, but had been detained in New York until November, then went south on business for a friend, and on his return found that May was traveling in Europe. He knew Tom was married, but supposed it was to May instead of Nellie, and that they were on their wedding tour. He had not learned of his mistake until he read Tom's advertisement in an old New York *Tribune*. He had started at once for Paris, traveling night and day.

"Thank God you were in time!" said Tom, fervently.

Paul watched untiringly at May's bedside, paying no attention to their entreaties that he should rest while they watched. "May is mine now. I shall care for her," he always answered.

Slowly the shattered system recovered strength. The long convalescence was delightful with Paul to talk to her, read, follow every whim of hers. In July they left the hot, sultry city and went to the mountains of Switzerland, and revelled in the pure fresh air; and there in September, in a quaint little Swiss church, they were married one morning, with the warm sun shining on their heads in benediction.

Aunt Elton's prophecy proved true. Paul brought his wife home from Europe.

There is an old California epitaph that has excited a good deal of interest, both from the character it describes and the question it asks. The epitaph is as follows:

Here lies old Thirty-five per cent!
The more he had the more he lent;
The more he got the more he craved;
The more he made the more he shaved—
Good God! can such a soul be saved?

He who foresees calamities suffers them twice over.

WHY THE DRUMMER QUIT DRINKING.

"No, I won't drink with you to-day, boys," said a drummer to several companions, as they settled down in the smoking car and passed the bottle. "The fact is, boys, I have quit drinking—I've sworn off."

He was greeted with shouts of laughter by the jolly crowd around him; they put the bottle under his nose, and indulged in many jokes at his expense, but he refused to drink, and was rather serious about it.

"What's the matter with you, old boy?" sang out one. "If you've quit drinking, something's up; tell us what it is."

"Well, I will, boys, though I know you'll laugh at me. But I'll tell you all the same. I have been a drinking man all my life, ever since I was married, as you all know. I love whiskey—it is as sweet in my mouth as sugar—and God only knows how I'll quit it. For seven years not a day has passed over my head that I didn't have at least one drink. But I am done. Yesterday I was in Chicago. Down on South Clark street a customer of mine keeps a pawn shop in connection with his other business. I called on him, and while I was there a young man not more than twenty-five, wearing thread-bare clothes, and looking as hard as if he hadn't seen a sober day for a month, came in with a little package in his hand. Tremblingly he unwrapped it and handed it to the pawnbroker, saying, 'Give me ten cents.' And, boys, what do you think it was? A pair of baby's shoes, little things with the bottoms only a trifle soiled, as if they had been worn only once or twice. 'Where did you get these?' asked the pawnbroker. 'Got 'em at home,' replied the man, who had an intelligent face and the manner of a gentleman, despite his sad condition. 'My—my wife bought 'em for our baby. Give me ten cents—I want a drink.' 'You had better take the shoes back to your wife; the baby will need them,' said the pawnbroker. 'No, s-she won't; because—because she's dead. She's lying at home now—died last night.' As he said this the poor fellow broke down, bowed his head on the show case, and cried like a child.

"Boys," said the drummer, "you can laugh if you please, but I—I have a baby of my own at home, and I swear I'll never drink another drop." Then he got up and went into another car. His companions glanced at each other in silence; no one laughed; the bottle disappeared, and soon each was sitting in a seat by himself reading a newspaper.—*Chicago Herald.*

DON'T PRESS IT.

A few days ago a Detroiter and his wife were making a trip through the state prison at Jackson, and both were much impressed with the countenance of a certain convict in one of the shops. He looked so melancholy and downhearted that the lady's sympathies were strongly aroused, and the gentleman was certain that he could discover that the man had a great deal of moral worth in his character. One of the guards was appealed to for information, and he replied:

"Yes, he is very well behaved—one of the best in the prison."

"He seems very sorry for his offense," observed the lady.

"Yes'm."

"And I know he would be honest, if pardoned," added the man.

"Yes'r. You might speak to the governor. I believe his offense was a trifling one."

"Do you know exactly what it was?"

"Why, I believe he came from your own city. I think he entered a house in the evening, choked the lady senseless and then stole money and jewelry."

"W-why! when was it?" gasped the lady.

"Oh, about two years ago."

"And he was sent for five years?" asked the man.

"Yes'r. If you desire to press the matter I'll—"

"Press, be hanged!" blurted the Detroiter. "Here's the very woman he choked and robbed! It was my own wife he nearly killed! Mary, I guess we won't stop over on him any further!"—*Detroit Free Press.*

WAS IT A BOY OR A GIRL?

Mrs. Mulcahy—Good mornin'.

Mrs. O'Hollihan—Good mornin', Mrs. Mulcahy.

Mrs. Mulcahy—An' how's the ould man, Mrs. O'Hollihan?

Mrs. O'Hollihan—Och, purty well, thanke—Mrs. Mulcahy, but dhrunk agin last night, though.

Mrs. Mulcahy—Och, dear, dear, the poor man!

Mrs. O'Hollihan—Did you hear the news about the ineraise in Mrs. McCarthy's family, Mrs. Mulcahy?

Mrs. Mulcahy—Oi did not. Was it a bye or a gurrl?

Mrs. O'Hollihan—'Twaz naythor.

Mrs. Mulcahy—Naythor?

Mrs. O'Hollihan—Naythur; 'twas twins.

Mrs. Mulcahy—Wull, wull, wull!—*San Francisco Wasp.*

Mr. Spurgeon is accustomed to deal with the human heart. In speaking to his students as they were to leave for the Easter holidays, he said: "And do not get to courting. That is not good for students. Keep yourselves to yourselves. Come back, as some one puts it, with your hearts and manners uncracked. Walk in the fields like Isaac, by all means, and meditate; but do not lift up your eyes for Rebecca. She will come soon enough."

A gentleman was once making fun of a sacque which a young lady wore. "You had better keep quiet," was the reply, "or I will give you the 'sack.'" "I should be most happy," was the gallant response, "if you would give it to me as it is—with yourself inside of it."

Whatever the world may say, there are some mortal sorrows; and our lives ebb away less through our blood than through our tears.

"'Spachally Jim."

I was mighty good-lookin' when I was young,
Peert an' black-eyed an' slim,
With fellers a-courtin' me Sunday nights,
'Spachally Jim.

The likeliest one of 'em all was he,
Chipper, an' han'some, an' trim,
But I tossed up my head an' made fun o' the crowd,
'Spachally Jim!

I said I hadn't no 'pinion o' men,
An' I wouldn't take stock in *him*!
But they kep' up a-comin' in spite o' my talk,
'Spachally Jim!

I got so tired o' havin' 'em roun'
('Spachally Jim!)
I made up my mind I'd settle down
An' take up with him.

So we was married one Sunday in church,
'Twas crowded full to the brim:
'Twas the only way to get rid of 'em all,
'Spachally Jim.

—*The Century.*

SUNDAY IN CHICAGO.

Chicago appears more destined than ever to wear the appellation of the "Godless city," despite various organized efforts to stem the Sunday-breaking tide. There has been very rapid progress toward eliminating the day as a holy and church-going one from the calendar within the past five years, and replacing it with a theater, base ball and racing one. The theater innovation was gradual and confined to the variety houses for a time, but has gradually included every house in the city, with the possible exception of McVicker's, which latterly has been given over to the presentation of the German drama. The Sunday performance has grown to be the most profitable financially of the week, and latterly one-half of the theaters have extended their observance of the Sabbath by giving matinee performances. The base ball innovation came with the present season, but is confined to games by the Union Association Club, the National League having as yet made no attempt in that direction. And now the Chicago driving park has formally decided to inaugurate Sunday racing. The argument put forward by the directors is a citation of the innovations already made and contenanced. The last move, however, has awakened the old fires of antagonism. The Sunday pupils are fulminating warnings at the departure and predicting that Divine wrath will fall upon the city for its notorious misgovernment and lack of recognition of the Sabbath. A formal appeal has been made to the mayor to prevent the proposed racing, but that official has given no sign that he will interfere in any way in the matter.

ONE WHO PAINTS THE LILY.

"A complexionist," said a woman, who had out a sign bearing that unusual word, in answer to the reporter's interrogation, "is one who makes a study of the human skin, and takes charge of the customer's complexion."

"But surely there are not many who"—

"Oh, yes; there are hundreds of the fair sex who come here during the gay season to be made up or to have the skin treated with delicate washes to prevent the bad effects of gas, heat and late hours. But young ladies are not the only ones treated; men—young and old—are often found within these walls."

"What is your usual mode of treatment?"

"That depends on the complexion. If it is merely to be preserved, we advise a little careful dieting and bathing in elder flower water. Not a particle of fat must be taken, as it injures the polish of the skin. Here is a prescription that will clean the complexion in a very short time: A tablespoonful of sulphur taken every other morning for a week, then ommitted for three mornings and taken again. A mixture of powdered brimstone or diluted glycerine should be rubbed on the face at night and washed off in the morning with soap and water in which there is a little ammonia. Washing the face in spirits of camphor, glycerine and ammonia is also very good, and various other methods are resorted to for this end. —*New York Mail and Express.*

Jonathan Edwards, the celebrated theologian and the first president of Princeton college, was asked for his daughter by a young man who had arranged the preliminaries with the lady, who by the way was noted for her independent spirit.

"No," said the stern parent, "you can't have my daughter."

"But I love her and she loves me," pleaded the young man.

"Can't have her!" said the father.

"I am well-to-do, and can support her," exclaimed the applicant.

"Can't have her!" persisted the old man.

"May I ask," meekly inquired the suitor, "if you have anything against my character?"

"No," said the obstinate parent, "I haven't heard anything against you; I think you are a promising young man and that's why you can't have her. She's got a very bad temper and you wouldn't be happy with her."

The lover, amazed, said: "Why, Mr. Edwards? I thought Emma was a Christian; isn't she?"

"Certainly she is," answered the conscientious parent; "but, young man, when you grow older you'll be able to understand that there's some folks that the grace of God can live with that you can't!"

Always advise with a skilful physician when in doubt about your health or the wisdom of good habits. The latest example of scrupulous attention to this rule is the story of an elderly lady who sent for a doctor at midnight, because she was troubled in her mind as to whether it would be prudent or not to eat a baked apple the first thing in the morning.

"You are weak," said a woman to her son, who was remonstrating against her marrying again. "Yes, mother," he replied, "I'm so weak that I can't go a stepfather."

SOCIETY.

In former years society people were estimated by their true worth; in modern times by their dress. The most sterling qualities, if in faded wrappings, are passed by for the shoddy geuteel in tinsel and gilt. Caste, with its merciless scalpel, now dissects the whole social body, and, as it ostracises many, thereby robs it of much of its brains and brawn, destroys its symmetry, and leaves it but a mass of useless cankering flesh. Its influence, instead of nourishing whatever kindly germs may be in the heart, renders its devotees little less than stoics and pilgrims to the shrine of Mammon. If one does not sport the gay trappings of fashion, society politely waives him or her aside.

That an audience is said to be composed of "society people," seldom means that it is a gathering where culture and mental superiority predominate. Society is fast degenerating into a collection of lay-figures for the exhibition of the latest styles of millinery and dry goods.

If dress were made of less importance it would lessen the burden of many who now find it hard to maintain their places in the social world. It would also lessen the force of temptation which often leads men and women to barren honor and honesty for display. People of moderate means would be more inclined to attend church, and the worship would be improved by the removal of many a wandering thought.

It would lessen, on the part of the wealthy, the temptation to vanity; on the part of the poor the temptation to be servile and malicious. It would largely promote to social interests, and do away with many barriers to mental, moral, and social culture, which now render the social world so barren of sociability, and makes of church gatherings but a mockery and a failure.—*Mrs. Nellie McVay, in the St. Louis Magazine.*

A WIFE NOT A BRIDE.

Caller—"I am so glad, my dear, to see you looking so well and happy. Your wedding tour was not of long duration, I notice. Very sensible; very sensible."

Bride—"My husband was willing to prolong the tour, but I knew that his presence was required at his place of business."

Caller—"Very few brides are so considerate as that."

Bride—"Oh! but I ceased to be a bride very early. In less than a week I became a wife."

Caller—"I do not understand."

Bride—"We had not been married a week before he asked me to sew on a button."

TO PREVENT MOTHS.

If a small piece of paper, or linen, moistened with turpentine, be placed in wardrobes and drawers, two or three times a year, it will effectually prevent any damages from moths. When furs are packed away in the spring, they should be beaten well with a small rattan, in order to dislodge any eggs of the moth—afterward brush thoroughly—and sew up carefully in a linen pillow case; over all, pin newspapers, leaving no crevice where an insect could insinuate itself. It would be well to paste the edges of the paper together. If well done, you need not fear for the most valuable furs.

To do the same thing over and over again for years, without heart or improvement, may indeed be called experience, but it is a profitless one. Some people who are proudest of boasting of their experience have the least reason to be proud of it. To have spent ten or twenty years in the same pursuit does not, of itself, entitle a man to respect and honor; but to have spent as many months in steadfast progress, to have brought to bear upon his employment all his past training, to have put into it fresh thought and renewed vigor, to have made experiments, studied methods, and planned improvements, that is an experience we justly esteem.

Alice asked me why strawberries are so called. She was eating a delicious plate full of them; and as they were heaped high on the dish, sprinkled with sugar and covered with cream, they were very inviting. But why were they strawberries, and not red-berries, or blush-berries, or best-berries? Because, dear, I told her, they grow on the ground on a pretty running vine, and are found strewn, or strawn, among their green leaves. From strewn or strawn berries the way is short to strawberries, which name slips easily over the lips in our talk. —*Young People.*

An Oriental potentate once bade his prime minister to compose for him a motto that would answer both for seasons of prosperity and adversity. Here is the sentence which he had engraved upon his signet ring: "This too shall soon pass away."

There have been many definitions of a gentleman, but the prettiest and most poetic is that given by a lady. "A gentleman," says she, "is a human being combining a woman's tenderness with a man's courage."

Take care to be an economist in prosperity: there is no fear of your being one in adversity.—*Zimmerman.*

A large mass of error is easily embalmed and perpetuated by a little truth.—*Charles Mackay.*

Reason lies between the spur and the bridle.—*George Herbert.*

One forgives everything to one who forgives himself nothing.

Little things console us because little things afflict.

A mind once cultivated will not lie fallow for an hour.

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FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 6. 1884.

THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION.

BLAINE NOMINATED!

The Republican national convention met at the exposition building, Chicago, on Tuesday. Before the convention met Blaine's chances were apparently as good as any, but with the nomination and election of a temporary chairman came a change. The Blaine managers nominated Powell Clayton of Arkansas, but his name was met with a storm of indignation, and Mr. Lodge of this state presented in opposition the name of John R. Lynch of Mississippi, a negro, who was elected by a vote of 431 to 387, Blaine thus receiving his first set-back. On Wednesday John B. Henderson of Missouri was chosen temporary chairman, and made a modest speech. Delegate Hawkins of Tennessee patterned after Conkling of four years ago, by making a motion that the delegates be pledged to support the nominee of the convention, whoever he might be, but after some sharp speech-making he was only too glad to withdraw his proposition.

The balloting commenced to-day and the result is as follows:

FIRST BALLOT.

Blaine,	332
Arthur,	278
Edmunds,	93
Logan,	63
Sherman,	30
Hawley,	13
Lincoln,	4
Gen. Sherman,	3

SECOND BALLOT.

Blaine,	347
Arthur,	271
Edmunds,	86
Logan,	58
Sherman,	30
Hawley,	12
Lincoln,	4
Gen. Sherman,	2

THIRD BALLOT.

Blaine.	375
Arthur,	275
Edmunds,	78
Logan,	60

(Special Dispatch to the JOURNAL.)
4.45 p. m.

On the fourth ballot Blaine received 414 votes, all the Illinois men going over to him, thus giving him the nomination, which was then made unanimous.

OUR SOLONS GO HOME.

The Massachusetts Legislature was prorogued Wednesday evening, after a session of 155 days. It has not been a notable session, except for its unnecessary length, and for the salary grab which was rushed through in its closing hours in spite of a strong veto by the governor. Its most important act, perhaps, was the amendment of the voting laws, requiring every polling place to be provided with a patent self-registering ballot box to be approved by the state secretary, treasurer and auditor. Places having 300 or more voters are also to have registrars of voters, and heavy penalties are imposed upon any registrar who neglects or willfully refuses to require an applicant for registration to read and write, or who tries to prevent the registration of a legally qualified voter, or who registers a voter not qualified. Other important measures were the free text book law and the civil service act. The new town of Bourne was created, new jails ordered in Hampden, Essex and Plymouth counties, and the city of Waltham chartered, with a board of Aldermen and no common council. The Meigs elevated railroad was chartered and Fitchburg was given a registry of deeds. Hardened felons are to be separated from prisoners inclined to reform, and the Westboro reform school is to be converted into a homoeopathic hospital for the insane, at a cost of $150,000. The Boston & Albany stock dividend was referred to the attorney general. A new topographical survey of the state was authorized, in cooperation with the federal authorities.

The Legislature refused to submit the question of biennial sessions to the people, and abolished the election sermon. The employer's liability bill was defeated, and also the bill allowing the manufacture of water gas, the vote in the Senate on the latter bill resulting in an investigation, which showed that senator Whittier was offered a bribe, the matter being refered to the attorney general. The state tax is increased $500,000, and this, with the salary grab, will irritate the tax payers not a little. The increase of salaries from $500 to $650 is especially offensive, coming as it did in the last days of the session. No one contends that our legislators are paid a princely sum, even at the latter figure, but the people would like to see the matter discussed and have the salary fixed decently and in order, early in the session, and not rushed through at the last moment.

THIS, THAT, AND THE OTHER.

A woman who goes shopping and forgets her money has a very non-cents-ical time of it.

With the mania for six-day matches of all kinds, why has no one ever instituted a go-as-you-please conversation tournament?

Becky Jones of New York is the only woman we ever heard of who could hold her tongue when she had any important information in her possession. Bet you two bits she never had the advantage of a church sewing society.

To say that the Bartholdi pedestal will never be completed is to make a base insinuation. By the way, why not construct it of restaurant pie crust? It would then stand the storms of ages. Let every traveler pocket the crust instead of leaving it to be used again, and the supply will soon be sufficient.

Becky Jones still holds the fort at New York, and the fort also holds her. It is now about two weeks since she went to jail for contempt of court in refusing to testify in a will case, and she still appears as firm in her determination not to open her mouth as she was at that time. She says she will stay in jail until the day of judgment before she will say a word on the subject.

Barnum's offer of $500 for the best poem about his white elephant brought in 800 poems; 200 were sifted out as worthy of notice, and of this number three have been selected as equally good.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

Are you going to Springfield Monday to see Barnum?

Carrie Gilmore, the fancy skater, is at the rink this evening.

John H. Gamwell is building a barn in the rear of his Main street residence.

The business places of the village were mostly closed after noon on Memorial Day.

C. D. Fuller has been drawn as juror for the the June term of the superior court at Springfield.

Some Indians have been camping just across the river on the road to the State Primary School this week.

The parlor of St. Paul's church, which was damaged by the bursting of a water pipe some time since, is being repaired.

There will be preaching in the Methodist church at Four Corners next Sunday at 1 o'clock p. m., by a supply from Wilbraham.

A revolving swing on the vacant lot at the corner of Maple and Park streets has been well patronized by the children this week.

Senator Sessions and Representative Smith of this district both voted against the salary grab in the Legislature this week.

Workmen are busy at work on the surroundings at the new depot, but it will be some time yet before everything will be in ship-shape.

Elder M. A. Potter of Worcester will preach at the Advent chapel next Sunday, and in the evening will give an illustrated temperance address.

The carpet mill is to shut down on the 21st for two weeks, in order to put in a new 100-horse power boiler, in place of their present one of 75-horse power.

There was as usual a large attendance at the annual strawberry festival given by the ladies of St. Paul's parish on Tuesday evening, and about $40 was netted by the society.

The New London Northern road has this week put on the evening train north from this place, running it as far as Amherst, thus supplying the demand made by its patrons.

Rev. Mr. Hunter will preach a sermon to the children at the Congregational church next Sunday morning, and a choir of children from the State Primary School will sing.

But little interest was shown last Monday in the election of an assessor. David Knox was chosen moderator, and 47 votes were cast, of which George W. Randall had 43, and Charles F. Smith had 4.

The young people of the second Congregational society are to give a strawberry festival on the lawn at Mr. David Knox's next Tuesday evening. Should the evening prove stormy, it will be held at the church.

There is now but little doubt as to who the parties are who took the silverware from the kitchen of St. Paul's church some weeks since, and if they would avoid trouble and exposure, they had better return it at once.

F. S. Blanchard of Worcester, a former Palmer boy, has increased his business to such an extent that he has been obliged to move into other and larger quarters, and put in an engine and boiler of his own to run his presses.

Conductor Sanders has charge of the short train between here and Amherst. He is obliged to stay at Amherst over night, and arrives here in the morning in time to get his breakfast before taking his train through to New London.

Is Palmer to have a Fourth of July celebration this year? Last year there was a good parade of antiques and horribles, and we see no reason why it could not be even better this year. Let us have some sort of a celebration, by all means.

The Flynt Building & Construction Co. have the contract for a stone recitation room for the Moody seminary at Northfield, to be 130 by 40 feet, two stories high. They also have the contract for the dye company's new building at Bondsville.

The heavy frost of the night before Decoration Day did much damage in this vicinity. Flower and vegetable gardens suffered greatly, many being obliged to entirely replant their gardens, while grape vines were ruined, and some fruit trees damaged.

The new depot was opened last Sunday, the first train to leave its load of passengers there being the 6.37 p. m. express. A large crowd was present at the dedication, and all seem to appreciate the fact that we have the finest depot for a town of this size on the line of the road.

A person claiming to be a deaf mute, has been in town this week soliciting contributions to rebuild the deaf and dumb asylum at St. Johns, N. B., of which he claimed to be an authorized agent; when he failed to get a donation he communicated his thoughts on paper, and was not always very choice in his language.

Stockholders in this vicinity will be interested in the report from Bridgeport that the Housatonic Rolling Stock Co., whose accounts are being investigated, is a bogus organization, the secretary of the state of Michigan having stated that no such company appears to have been incorporated under the laws of that state, as claimed.

The Springfield commandery of Knight Templars start on their annual summer trip on the 25th of this month, going to the Grand Hotel, in the Catskill mountains, by way of the N. Y. N. H. & H., and the Hartford & Connecticut Western railroads. As the company does not return until the 27th, no doubt some of the Knights in this vicinity will join the excursion.

At the last session of the probate court in Springfield administration was granted on the estates of Sarah W. Putnam late of Ludlow, Mertia Warner, administrator, Amos H. Putnam, late of Ludlow, Mertia Warner, administrator; Ira G. Potter was appointed guardian of Caroline Bliss of Wilbraham, insane, and a license to sell real estate was granted on the estate of Sabra M. Lemon, late of Wilbraham.

Ned Lyons, charged with cracking G. L. Hitchcock's safe, pleaded guilty at Springfield last week, and was sentenced to three years in the state prison. In the Carey-Kenerson adultery case the parties were found guilty, and Carey was sentenced to a year in the house of correction and Mrs. Kenerson to a year at Sherborn. John Feeney was fined $50 and costs for illegal liquor keeping, and Joseph Thompson had the liquors returned to him which were seized at his house, there being no evidence that they were on sale.

We learn that we misreported the remarks of Rev. Mr. Perry at the union meeting in the Congregational church Sunday evening, May 25th. He called attention to the fact that the soldiers by their bravery and devotion destroyed a diversity that divided the land into two sections with hostile institutions and civilization. Thus the real unity that lay at the heart of things manifested its full power, and we are a nation as never before. The work, if not the workers, deserved commemoration. This led him to consider the humiliating fact that Palmer had no memorial for her soldier dead.

A large force of men was put at work in this village Tuesday morning by the Boston & Albany railroad, and at night a substantial picket fence inclosed the open space between Main street and the old depot, extending from the wall at Central street to the wall on Commercial street, and effectually putting an end to all crossing between Main street and the new station. It is perhaps needless to add that this action of the railroad authorities has caused an almost endless amount of sharp criticism and condemnation from citizens of the place, who could hardly view with complacency this shutting off of a short cut to the station, and who could see in it nothing but an intention to annoy and inconvenience them. It seems to us that the managers have been somewhat hasty in their action. At the same time we understand that they are in readiness to do anything that is reasonable to meet the views of our people on this point, when they know just what is wanted; and there will probably not be much delay in informing them. A petition has been largely signed already, asking for some direct means of access to the station from Main street, at or near Central, and it will be presented to the officials of the road within a few days, when we doubt not some favorable action will be taken. The new station is the finest on the line of the road, outside of Boston and Worcester, and it is hardly probable that the managers of the road will make it wholly obnoxious to a large part of our population by making the approach to it needlessly long and inconvenient.

MEMORIAL DAY IN PALMER.

About 9 a. m. the line was formed in front of the Nassowanno House in the following order: Duckville Band; L. L. Merrick Post, 107, G. A. R.; barge, containing invited guests; other carriages, etc. At the head of Main street the band and post took their places in barges and headed the procession for Three Rivers. Through this village the band and post marched, again resuming their seats at the bridge. At the cemetery at Four Corners the column halted and the forms of the ritual observed. The band played a dirge, brief and appropriate addresses were made by the leading officers of the post, prayer was offered by Rev. B. F. Joy, and then the graves of the soldiers were decorated with flowers by their comrades with fitting remarks. The comrades were directed to break ranks and strew flowers upon the graves of all soldiers.

After this service the line of march was resumed. The post, headed by the band, marched through Thorndike, and, resuming their carriages, soon reached the Catholic cemetery. Here they were met by the genial and gentlemanly Father Sullivan, who conducted an impressive service as authorized by his church.

A little before twelve the procession reached the cemetery in this village. Here the exercises were similar to those at Four Corners. Rev. Mr. Hunt offered prayer and a band of State Primary School children, under the leadership of Col. Tufts, sang a hymn. A column of children, under the command of Dr. Stowe, also assisted in the services.

The collation which followed was given in the dining rooms of St. Paul's church. The post, invited guests, and the band, all to the number of a hundred, occupied the seats. Following the collation came toasts and brief speeches. Hon. C. L. Gardner spoke for the nation, Col. Tufts for the commonwealth, S. S. Taft, Esq., for Palmer, Judge Robinson for the public and the soldier, Rev. Mr. Hunt for our soldier dead, Rev. Mr. Joy upon war and the gospel, Rev. Mr. Clarke upon the message of the church to the patriot, Dr. Wm. Holbrook for L. L. Merrick Post. Other responses were omitted for want of time.

When the post reached Wales Hall it was found to be fairly well filled with an appreciative audience. The exercises were as follows: Hymn by children of State Primary School; prayer by Rev. Mr. Perry, champlain of the post; hymn by children; oration by Capt. Lincoln of Brimfield. The orator began by giving some curious and interesting statistics. Among others he stated that if the men enlisted for the Union could be formed into a marching column with the usual artillery and baggage wagons, the column would be 675 miles long. He also said that if the cost of the war were in the form of silver dollars, with them a girdle five feet wide could be made entirely around the earth. He proceeded to discuss the following points, viz: the cause of the war; did it pay? how to prevent similar troubles in the future. The services closed with a hymn by the children.

BARTON—BROWN.

Two hundred or more invited guests assembled at the house of Mr. and Mrs. E. Brown at four o'clock Thursday afternoon, to witness the marriage of their daughter Anna to F. D. Barton of this place. The day was fine, though warm, and the occasion was unusually pleasant and successful in every way. The house was handsomely and tastefully decorated with flowers, plants and greenery, one attractive feature being the bank of ferns and nasturtions completely filling the broad mantle in the parlor. A green arch spanned the bay window, from which depended a horse shoe of white carnations, under which the young couple stood while the Rev. Mr. Hunter spoke the impressive words sealing the union of their lives "until separated by death."

The bridal party, led by C. A. Brown, brother of the bride, entered the parlor to the strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding March by Miss Carrie Lacey, the *petite* bridesmaids being Maud Johnson of Salem, Mabel Mills of Pittsfield, and Florence and Lulu Holden of this place, the first named being "best lady." The bride was handsomely attired in cream satin trimmed with Spanish lace, the overdress being of brocaded satin and finished with long court-train trimmed with ruching of the same. A cluster of roses confined the veil to the hair, and the corsage bouquet was of the same beautiful flowers. Warm and sincere were the congratulations and good wishes bestowed on the wedded pair, after which the guests strolled away to view the many tokens of love and kindly feelings presented by friends present and absent. The gifts were numerous and elegant, and with few exceptions there were no duplicates, which is quite unusual where givers are so scattered. The following are some of the articles presented:

A handsome ebony cabinet from the mother of the bride, four shares of B. & A. stock from her father, Rogers group (neighboring pews) with stand, by a club of married people of the village, a set of after-dinner coffee spoons by the young people of the village, umbrella stand, brass mirror, vases, pair bisque figures, flower basket, gold berry spoon, Dream of the Future (engraving), easel, painting, bronze mirror, set Irving's work, Herrick's selections, "Farm Festivals" by Carleton, Tennyson, painting on plush, shoulder cape, lemonade set with salver (ruby), bronzes, dozen solid silver spoons in case, glass ice cream set, glass epergne, mother of pearl opera glasses, student lamp, selenite vase (hand painted) celery dish, pitcher (decorated glass), pitcher, salver and tumbler, gold piece, pair oil paintings, butter knife, amberlon lemonade set, painted satin panel, marble clock, gold bowl sugar spoon, hand decorated French china tea set, bon-bon dish, bead pin cushion, French cathedral clock and sofa pillow, set after-dinner coffees in case, silver jewel casket, brass plaque, hand decorated ice cream set, pair dessert spoons, gold-lined pin dish, standard amberina celery glass, mustard and salt spoons and gold bowls in case, carved ivory hand-decorated fan, hand-decorated pepper and salt bottles, ruby champagne set, gold pen and pearl holder, bronze bas relief (night), embroidered banners, toilet set (white), salad bowl, laces with cards, set nut picks, white satin fan (hand-painted), key thermometer, pair table spoons, lunch cloth, gold bowl cream and sugar bowl in case, basket flowers (most elegant), bronze marble ornament.

The repast for the occasion was furnished by Habenstein of Hartford, and the arrangement of the dining-room tables testified to his taste as an artist, while their contents proved him the "prince of caterers." We must not forget the bride-cake, which was large and handsomely ornamented, and had the honor (which it well merited) of a table to itself in the parlor. Mr. and Mrs. Barton left on the evening New York express, speeded on their way with all the good luck which rice and old slippers can give, and after a short absence will return to Mr. Brown's, where they will make their home for the present.

LUDLOW.

Children's Day will be observed by the Methodist society next Sabbath. Services appropriate for the occasion will be held in the church at 1.15 p. m.

The baptized children of the Congregational church, between the ages of 9 and 15, are to be presented with Bibles next Sunday by Rev. Mr. Dickey, in behalf of the church, and all the children will receive bouquets.

BELCHERTOWN.

Rev. Mr. Dickerman of Amherst preached at the Congregational church last Sunday.

The Congregational Sunday school has taken about 80 shares in the new "morning star" missionary ship.

A. B. Howard and G. L. Kent suffered considerable from damage done early fruit and vegetables by the frost.

A large audience was present at the town hall last Friday evening to witness the entertainment by the dramatic club.

BONDSVILLE.

The greater part of the debt on the Methodist church has been raised.

The catholics have expended about $2700 in improving their church property.

Children's Sunday will be observed in the usual manner next Sunday, with a concert in the evening.

A son of Richard Thomas returned home last Wednesday after an absence of nearly three years. The greater part of his time has been spent on the salt water.

WALES.

Farmers have been busy replanting since the frost.

The frost severely injured many crops in this neighborhood.

G. D. Fisk has paid his fine of $50 and costs for liquor selling, and left town.

Mr. Miller being out of town Rev. Mr. Gay preached at the Methodist church last Sunday.

Orrin Moore has closed up his meat market and now devotes his time to farming and stock raising. He has on his farm the blooded bull "Moses."

PALMER CENTER.

The work of taking down the old church is progressing slowly.

Samuel Brown is building a piazza across the front of his house, making quite an addition in the looks.

Charles Hastings' team, standing at Newell's pond Tuesday evening, became unhitched, and getting away somewhat demolished the wagon, but doing no other serious damage.

The roadmakers have been grading the hill this side of Mr. Hill's the past week, carting the dirt upon the sandy road near the house of Reuben Lamb, and have hardened the road as far as George King's. It is the intention to harden the road through to Mr. Trumbull's, and when completed a long-called-for and much-needed improvement will have been made.

BRIMFIELD.

Summer Parker, one of Brimfield's largest farmers, has sold his homestead to his nephew, Frederic T. Parker of St. Johnsbury, Vt., who has taken possession.

Wednesday evening the Brimfield division of the Sons of Temperance had a very successful strawberry festival at the Congregational church with readings, recitations, singing etc.

On the evening of Memorial Day about 30 couples had a social dance at Munroe's Hall, with strawberries, ice cream, etc., for refreshments. Music was furnished by Bacon & Kenfield's orchestra.

On Tuesday the remains of Dr. Marquis Hall, a native of Brimfield, who died at Spencer June 1st, were brought here for interment. Dr. Hall had been in successful practice at Spencer for a number of years. Although for some time his health had not been good, his death was sudden and unexpected.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

The heavy frosts killed all kinds of vegetation, plants, vines and foliage.

The gas machine has been placed in position and the connections made at the chapel.

The effects of the drouth are visible in the thinness of grass, which promised so well a few weeks ago. The rye and oat crops are doing better than the average. All garden vines and potatoes are suffering from the ravages of the worms and bugs.

The Collins Mfg. Co. have foundations and engine beds made for the placing of two Fitchburg engines, 150-horse-power each, supplied by four 21-foot boilers, which will be used in the dry season. They also erect a chimney stack 112 feet above ground.

Mr. F. H. Strickland, who broke his leg on the hand-car two months ago, has so far recovered as to walk with a cane, but is now suffering from severe poisoning caused by the use of balm of Gilead buds. Other cases of poisoning from the same cause are reported.

In the superior court, James E. Johnson, living near the line of Springfield and Ludlow, was found guilty of keeping liquor with intent to sell. Exceptions were taken and sentence deferred until September. The authorities failed to convict him of keeping a liquor nuisance, although the fact is patent to those living in the vicinity.

WARREN.

Quite a number from this place attended the annual meeting of the American Home missionary society at Saratoga, N. Y., this week.

Frank Hawley, employed at the pump works, was taken with spitting blood Tuesday afternoon and conveyed to his home. He is attended by Dr. Gay, and although quite low, hopes are entertained of his recovery.

Mr. Trumble, who has been engineer at the Knowles pump works, resigned his place last week, and is succeeded by a man from Tariffville, near Hartford, Ct. Mr. Trumble goes to Boston to assist his son-in-law in a restaurant.

The S. of T. gave a strawberry festival in the town hall Tuesday evening. The entertainment consisted of music, reading, speaking, feats of legerdemain, and strawberries and ice cream of course. The Warren cornet band was in attendance, and a good time was enjoyed.

The exercises of Memorial day were performed according to the orders from headquarters. The graves of deceased soldiers were decorated in the forenoon by the Clara Barton pos. G. A. R., accompanied with appropriate exercises. In the afternoon Rev. O. J. Darling, pastor of the Universalist church, delivered the address.

WILBRAHAM.

The Willing Workers met yesterday afternoon with Miss Jesse Lillie.

The Clippers of Holyoke play the Wesleyans at this place to-morrow.

Henry M Bliss has been appointed a justice of the peace by Gov. Robbinson.

The personal property of the late Dea. Clark is to be sold at auction next Wednesday.

George I Knowlton has been offered a salary to ply the rest of the season with the Waterbury ball club.

The Methodists held their first quarterly conference in the chapel of the Memorial church Wednesday evening.

The commencement programme of the academy is as follows: Friday, June 13th at 7.45 p. m, prize declamations, by members of first and second years; Sunday, at 10.45 a. m., sermon before the graduating class by the principal, Dr. Steele; Monday, 2 to 5 p. m., examinations of classes; 7.4 p. m., junior prize declamations; Tuesday, 8 to 12 a. m., examinations; 2 p.m., annual meeting of trustees; 7.45 p. m., annual address before the corporation, by Rev. Dr. Williams of Middletown Ct.; Wednesday, at 10 a. m., report of committee of examination and distribution of prizes; 3 p. m., public meeting of the alumni; 7.45 p. m., concert under the direction of the Misses Dewey and Stebbins; Thursday 9 a. m., exercises of the graduating class; 7.45 p. m., social interview.

MONSON.

It is surmised that there are to be two weddings next week.

Oh if the sprinkling cart would only settle the dust. Where is the cart?

The Universalist society cleared about $40 at their strawberry festival last week.

Charles Fowler is much better than a week ago, and his friends hope to see him out again soon.

Rev. M. A. Harris of Worcester will preach in Central Hall next Sunday evening. Service at 7.30. A cordial welcome to all.

Preparations are being made for a grand dedication of the soldiers' monument on the 4th of July, and Monson people will "receive" that day.

The Maus Keep post have requested Rev. J. Hedley to give them the manuscript of his Decoration Day address, and it is probable he will accede to their wishes.

Rev. Mr. Byington is in attendance as a delegate at the Home Missionary meeting at Saratoga. He promises to report the meeting at the Congregational chapel Friday evening.

The court under the auspices of the young people of the M. E. society takes places at Central Hall this evening. They are assisted by the Springfield Orchestral Club, and the programme of old folks' songs, was songs, duetts, trios, etc., ought to draw a full house.

The Grand Army give their first annual strawberry strawberry short cake and ice cream festival at Central Hall, next Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, proceeds to go toward defraying the expenses of dedicating the soldiers' monument July 4th. Let there be a generous response on the part of the friends of the soldier.

Next Sabbath will be observed as Children's Sunday at the Congregational church. A Byington will preach to the children in the morning and there will be a Sabbath school concert in the evening. The church will be decorated with flowers.

Memorial sermon at the Congregational church, at the beginning of the services, was listened to the Sabbath previous by the Maus Keep Post, the other congregations being in attendance, as were also Rev. Mr. Dight, Rev. Mr. Hammatt and Rev. Mr. Dooly of N. Y., who was temporarily in town. The exercises at Moulton Hill cemetery in the forenoon of Memorial Day consisted of prayer by Rev. Mr. Dight and a short address, after which the graves were decorated, including two of soldiers of the Revolution. At Central Hall in the afternoon general orders were read by the commander of the post, prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Hammatt, and Rev. J. H. Kelley delivered the address. He spoke of the noble patriots and the sainted Lincoln, of the sufferings and privations of the soldiers, of the noble deeds of valor held now in grateful remembrance of the day as being more like a holy day and memorable, not being associated with the noise of powder and the general expression of tumultuous joy as is the 4th of July, but rather a day for thought and meditation in which to review the panorama of the past, and from it learn the lesson which it teaches; inculcating in those which now live, and future generations, loyalty to the country, to home, and hoping it might tend to honor manliness and purity in all the relations of life, in business, and in political action. He paid a glowing tribute to Abraham Lincoln and the soldiers, and for over an hour held an audience of nearly 1200, who listened with that close attention that showed appreciation of one of the best patriotic speeches it has been the fortune of a Monson public to listen to on Memorial Day. A male choir gave excellent vocal music. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Mr. Hammatt, and the post and citizens accompanied by fife and drum marched to the cemetery where the post paid its customary floral tribute to the memory of their comrades.

WARE AND VICINITY.

Grand juror for 1884, John Rich; jurors for criminal term, V. Guild and William Kennedy.

The Delavan House is greatly improved in appearance by a coat of paint in an attractive tint.

Marsh Brothers have put in new front windows to their store, much improving the appearance.

The attraction at the skating rink was the game of polo between the North Brookfields and the Reserves of Ware.

The Gilbertville Union Hall will be open for skating on Tuesday evenings and on Saturday afternoons and evenings during the month.

The report came to town that a branch of the Salvation Army would visit Ware next Sunday, but as yet we cannot learn that it is a fact.

The Sons of Temperance festival at the rink on Wednesday evening was a success financially and socially. Quite a delegation was present from Warren.

We had the pleasure of a visit to the Hoosac Tunnel last week, and have some fine photographs of that locality which we are pleased to show to any who care to see them.

Gray's new block is so far advanced that the stagings are removed, and we can see the symmetry of the building, and all remark that it is the finest business block in town.

The young people of the Methodist society held the first strawberry festival of the season at the skating rink on Tuesday evening. It is reported that the net proceeds were not large.

Clark has on exhibition the neatest baby carriage we have ever seen, the body in the shape of a miniature boat. Fortunate is the baby who commences the voyage of life in so beautiful a craft.

The primary schools all close this week. The high school will close next week, the graduating exercises taking place at the Unitarian church the week following. There are but three to graduate this year.

Children's day, next Sunday, Dr. Perkins will preach a sermon to the children in the morning, and in the evening there will be a Sunday school concert at the chapel. The Methodist society will not celebrate children's day until the Sunday following.

By an accident the large balance wheel of the new engine being put into the Otis Company's new mill fell while being put in place last Saturday, breaking it so that a new one must be had to take its place, delaying the work of getting the engine running.

Hugh Kennedy has removed his stock of goods from Storrs' block on North street to his house on South street, and H. J. Spooner & Co. are moving their undertaking business into the store vacated by him where in addition to that business they are to do upholstering.

Those who would like to see the saying "Where there's a will there's a way" exemplified in the photographic line should see the work of Willie Richardson who has made his own outfit, using a spectacle glass for his lens, and is now making pictures that would be a credit to any amateur artist.

Dr. Cushing Ellis, who for about 40 years has been missionary to the Indians at Walla Walla, Washington Territory, gave an address at the Congregational church on Sunday morning, and also in the chapel in the evening, giving some account of his labors and personal incidents in that new country.

Mrs. Kane, about 70 years of age, died suddenly on Water street on Thursday evening of last week from hemorrhage. She was apparently as well as usual a few minutes before she died. She was alone when the attack came on, and ran out of the house calling for help, while the blood was pouring from her mouth.

Memorial Day passed off according to programme in a quiet and satisfactory manner. One notable thing for any public holiday was that there was not a single drunk reported and no one in the lockup. Those who have taken licenses begin to find out that the selectmen mean that they shall live up to the requirements of the law.

The severe freeze of last week has done great damage in this locality, the farmers feeling it first, the consumers coming in later in hearing their share of the loss in paying larger prices as the crops are more scarce. Geo. Holden probably had over $200 worth of strawberries destroyed, and it is feared that the apple crop that had promised to be so bountiful, will prove a failure.

The Geo. H. Gilbert Mfg. Co. are this season to build an addition to their new weaving shed. The new building is to be 112 feet on South street by 148 feet deep. Their buildings known as the Harding block, the Tanzy House, and the barn in the rear, and a small dwelling house in the rear of the Harding block are to be sold on Thursday, June 30th. The present office is to be removed and a new one built nearer the street.

A brilliant party of the elite of the town assembled at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Corbit on Monday evening to celebrate the china wedding of the happy couple. The presents were numerous and valuable, not only in themselves but as tokens of the high esteem in which they are held by their host of friends. Owing to several other meetings of importance the same evening there was some disappointment in a number who had received invitations not being able to be present, so to accommodate these and also dedicate an elegant china tea set which had been presented, a tea party was given on Tuesday evening.

A CARD.—We wish to return thanks to all who so kindly assisted during the sickness and at the funeral of the late Dr. Frederick A. Ellis.

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES HATHAWAY.
Monson, May 30, 1884.

The dynamiters are still at it in London, and with a reckless determination which ought to bring some of them to speedy justice. The latest explosion occurred last Friday night, when an attempt was made to blow up the Scotland yard detective office in London by exploding dynamite in the rear of the building, and a second explosion was prevented by the failure of the fuse to burn. An attempt was made to blow up a club house by throwing a bomb into the basement. A canister of dynamite was found in Scotland yard, and 16 packages with fusee were found under the Nelson monument in Trafalgar square.

The question of the moon's being inhabited has, it is claimed, been settled beyond a doubt by Dr. Blendmann of Berlin. He discovered that the observations of that body were very unsatisfactory because of the light power of the moon's atmosphere. He accordingly smoked the object glass of his instrument with camphor, and got very gratifying results. The level plains which were formerly held to be oceans of water proved to be verdant fields, and the dark places called mountains turned out sand deserts and oceans of water, while towns and inhabitants of all kinds were plainly discernible, with signs of industry and traffic.

A severe and disastrous cold wave visited New England a week ago last night, doing a vast amount of damage. Corn and early vegetables were ruined by the frost, necessitating replanting in many places. Snow fell in New Hampshire and Vermont, and ice from 1-8 to 1-2 an inch in thickness formed in all the New England states. In many places the grapes and strawberries were ruined.

Contributions for the Boston fresh air fund are now being solicited by Rev. D. W. Waldron, 1 Somerset street, Boston. From a contribution of $100 in 1880 it grew to $3585 last year, and thousands of poor people were given a ride into the country and a breath of fresh air.

A German woman at Albany, N. Y., became crazed last week because she had lost her savings bank book, and cut the throats of four of her children while they were asleep. Then taking the other one in her arms she threw herself in front of a train and both were killed.

The examination for admission to the Massachusetts Agricultural College is to take place at the college on the 24th of this month. This institution, with its large farm and general course of instruction, is adapted to fit men for any employment or any place of business.

A new postal note, which is lilac in color, has been issued to take the place of the old one, which was of a dirty yellow color. On the new notes the number of dollars are indicated by a coupon, which is not punched, but is torn off with the note.

The wife and daughter of Lieut. Gov. Ames were run away with while out driving last Saturday. Miss Ames jumped from the carriage and received some slight injuries, but the horses were stopped without doing any further damage.

A Maine lad met with a strange death recently. While horseback riding the animal ran away with him, and in passing under a tree the stub of a limb caught in the boy's collar, suspending him in the air until he died.

The Westfield *Times and News-Letter* appeared last week in a new dress and an enlarged form, and with a vastly improved appearance. We congratulate it on its fine appearance, and hope it may never look worse.

Young Landen, the Springfield bank teller who embezzled the bank's funds, has been sentenced to four years in the house of correction, with the first day solitary confinement.

An immense amount of cotton stored on the five floors of a Baltimore building caused it to collapse last Friday afternoon, crushing several persons to death.

The cashier of the Butler county, Pa., bank has had a shortage of $22,000 discovered in his accounts.

A Kansas girl was caught in male attire, and, as she refused to pay a fine of $10, a justice sent her to prison for ten days. As there was no worse intention in her conduct than to play a prank, and the state has no law against what she did, her rich father has sued for damages.

Three tramps commanded a woman at Crestline, Ohio, to cook a breakfast for them. She said coolly that she would do it; but she brought in a cocked pistol instead of food, and they fled for their lives.

In order to impart dignity to the town of Maroa, Ill., forty of the merchants have signed a pledge to wear high silk hats, instead of the wide-brimmed slouches that have been in fashion there.

An incendiary fire destroyed the building of the Crossley manufacturing company at Barre last Monday morning. The loss is $80,000.

SHOULD WOMEN VOTE?

Correspondence of the JOURNAL.

Mr. Editor:—Since there is a good deal of talk about giving women suffrage in Massachusetts, it may be worth while to consider how the experiment has worked out West. Hon. John W. Kingman, who was for a number of years a Judge of the U. S. supreme court of Wyoming Territory says: "The women manifest a great deal of independence in their preference for candidates, and have frequently defeated bad nominations. We have had no trouble from the presence of bad women at the polls. It has been said that the delicate and cultured women would shrink away, and the bold and indelicate come to the front in public affairs. This we feared, but certainly nothing of the kind has happened. The opposition to woman suffrage at first was pretty bitter. To-day I do not think you could get a dozen respectable men in any locality to oppose it."

Judge Kingman is a Republican. Hon. N. L. Andrews, speaker of the Wyoming House of Representatives, a prominent Democrat, said: "I came to the Territory in 1871, with the strongest possible prejudice against woman suffrage. I became a close observer, and I can now say that the more I have seen of it the less my objections have been realized, and the more it has commended itself to my good opinion. Under all my observations it has worked well and been productive of much good in our Territory, and no evil that I have been able to discern. There is more independent voting by the women as a class than by the men. If the ballot in the hand of woman compels political parties to place their best men in nomination, this is in itself a sufficient reason for sustaining woman suffrage."

Mrs. L. W. Smith, superintendent of schools for Carbon Co., Wyoming, says: "If a candidate is not correct in character, the entire feminine vote is against him, irrespective of party. This fact renders it a necessity for each party to nominate good men, or their defeat is a foregone conclusion."

Rev. Dr. Crary, Presiding Elder of the M. E. churches in Wyoming, said: "The very best ladies of this Territory vote, and they generally vote on the right side of all questions." The editor of the *N. Y. Observer* is opposed to woman suffrage. He wanted some strong testimony against it. He wrote to a lady in Wyoming, who is the wife of a U. S. judge and an active member of the Presbyterian church, asking her to write an account of the working of woman suffrage in Wyoming for his paper. She replied: "I came to Wyoming three years ago from Missouri, and brought with me fully the usual amount of conservatism. I regarded with peculiar suspicion the idea of woman entering the political arena. My objections have materially modified my views upon this subject. The women of Wyoming, and particularly the better class, as highly prize and as generally exercise the right of suffrage as do the men. They are less governed by party considerations than men, and both parties have come to recognize the necessity of selecting their best men, or at least not nominating bad men, if they desire to succeed. I am not a woman's rightist, but I believe the results of the experiment in Wyoming have demonstrated that woman's influence in the government of the state is just as beneficial as in the government of the family."

Every governor of Wyoming for the last fifteen years has testified that woman suffrage works well there, and the last time a proposal was made in the Wyoming Legislature to repeal it, now nine years ago, the motion failed for want of a seconder, and was literally laughed down by the House.

About the time steamships were invented, a learned man wrote a pamphlet to prove that a steamer could not possibly cross the ocean. It was a very convincing pamphlet, but a few days after it was published, the first steamer arrived at New York from Liverpool. All sorts of convincing arguments are brought forward to show that woman suffrage cannot possibly work well; but facts have already disproved the theory.

A SUFFRAGIST.

NEWS MORSELS.

Bear meat is a regular dish in Russian hotels and restaurants.

The wood pavement being put down in Paris is a United States patent.

It is said that there are 48,644 widows under ten years of age in Bengal.

The tops of young English ferns are said to be equal in flavor to asparagus.

Two hundred horses were burned to death in Glasgow Saturday night.

The greatest foreign customer for Bordeaux wines is the Argentine Republic.

The Bank of England spends $50,000 a year providing lunches and dinners for its clerks.

At fashionable dinner parties in New York, says the *Mail*, only the green tips of asparagus are served.

Wolves abound in Wilkinson county, Miss. They recently killed more than fifty sheep in a single night.

A natural gas well, believed to be the largest in the country, was struck in Pittsburg, Pa., a few days ago.

There is a rumor in England that the Salvation Army is about to organize a hallelujah bicycle and tricycle corps.

Five of the six murderers hanged on a recent Friday in this country declared that rum had led them to their crime.

A vessel which arrived at Philadelphia the other day had 500 bushels of mussels sticking to its sides and bottom.

A Chicago man goes to jail 15 days and pays a fine of $25 because he settled with a thief who stole his watch, for $25.

Cuba is suffering from one of the most remarkable drouths on record. No rain has fallen on the island for five months.

It is estimated that the damage by the recent cold snap in Dutchess county, N. Y., alone will amount to a million dollars.

Prof. Charles E. Garmon of Amherst College has finally declined the invitation to become president of Bowdoin College.

A colored man, believed to be 105 years old, and who had been father of forty-nine children, died in Petersburg, Va., last week.

It is said that diamonds, garnets, malachite, cornelian and various other precious stones have been found in Waukesha county, Wis.

The Duke of Westminster, an immense property owner of London, allows no liquor sold in any building on land rented from him.

The first woman settler of Cosmopolis, Washington Territory, will get a premium of $100. It is an ambitious little spot and wants to grow.

Forbes & Wallace, Springfield, are offering tremendous bargains in black silks at $1 to $1.50. They are showing a full line of low-priced grades of silks at 50c to 85c; very much under usual prices.

You can get a perfect-fitting suit, made to order, warranted to be of the best Scotch suiting, all wool, for $25 to $35 (usual price $30 to $40), at Campbell & Co's., Cooley's Hotel building, near the depot, Springfield.

Those ladies' and gent's low summer shoes have arrived, just in the nick of time, at Morse's Shoe Store, Springfield. They are even better than the first lot, and are selling like hot cakes.

BOATS, BICYCLE AND HAY FEVER.

With the opening of the season of outdoor sports comes the time of trouble for the poor victims of Hay Fever. For them flowers have no odor, and the summer little or no beauty. To snuff, sneeze and wipe their weeping eyes for three or four successive months—this is their portion. There is no help in sea voyages, there is no help in high mountain air. These only lighten the pocket and leave the disease unabated. But there is a positive cure in Ely's Cream Balm. Try it. If you continue to suffer it is because you neglect a remedy as sure as it is cheap and pleasant. 2w10

Forbes & Wallace, Springfield, are offering special bargains in braided Jerseys, warranted all wool, in brown, garnet, wine and navy, for $2; always sold before for $3.50. They are all sizes and colors for ladies and children.

Haynes & Co., Springfield, offer to all patrons who purchase to the amount of $5, or over, free admission to Barnum's show, June 9th.

Haynes & Co., Springfield, leading clothiers, are offering great bargains in boys' and children's clothing. Call for the "star" shirt waists, flannel blouse waists, at reduced prices. Seersuckers in new styles, just in. They are still selling those $15 and $16 suits for $8. You can select a business suit there from sixty styles. Prices running from $10 to $20. They offer 2000 pairs of pants at better prices than can be found elsewhere in the city.

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FREE TICKET TO BARNUM'S.

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I was suffering from catarrh for fifteen years, with distressing pain over my eyes. The disease worked down upon my lungs. I used Ely's Cream Balm with gratifying results. Am apparently cured.—Z. C. WARREN, Rutland, Vt.

From Major Downs, Sing Sing, N. Y.: I was suffering severely with catarrh. Ely's Cream Balm was suggested. Within an hour of the first application I felt relieved. Was entirely cured in a few days.—W. A. DOWNS. 2w9

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A fact: That Fay's Shoe Store has the largest stock of fine and medium boots and shoes in Springfield. 8w2

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At Wales, at the Baptist parsonage, by Rev. Henry G. Gay, DAVID R. KENNEDY and EDITH M. BAKER, both of Ware.

At Wales, 1st, by H. A. McFarland, Esq., LEVI H. HEREDEN of Woodstock, Conn., and NELLIE M. BAKER of Wales.

DIED.

At Ludlow, 2d, Miss EMILY COOK, 80.

At Springfield, 1st, GERTIE A., 32, wife of Hiram M. Stacy.

At Washburn, Me., 25th ult., PATIENCE F., 26, wife of Darwin W. Eddy.

At Hampden, 4th, SARAH F., 74, widow of Daniel D. Chaffee.

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The receipts of the day—a large amount;
A relic of jolly old topers was he,
And his hair was as white as the foam of the sea,
And these words came forth with the fumes of gin:
"I gather them in, I gather them in."

"I gather them in, both old and young,
To my den of death they go and come;
Some to the scaffold, some to the grave,
Some to the prison, but none I save.
Come, father, mother, daughter, and son,
And I will ruin, one by one,
With my rum or whiskey, brandy or gin,
I gather them in, I gather them in.

"I gather them in to a life of shame,
I blast the fairest, honored name;
Make widows and orphans to cry and moan
At the foot of old King Alcohol's throne.
The highest or lowest, I care not which,
Will soon find their level in a common ditch.
The law protects me and it is no sin,
I gather them in, I gather them in."

The old man ceased as he closed his till,
Soon all was dark and gloomy and still;
And I said to myself as he went to rest,
Can it be that humanity dwells in your breast?
Man may forgive you, but God never will,
Though your ill-gotten gains foot the minister's bill.
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SUNDAY TRAINS.—The revival of Sunday trains on various roads has revived the story told some time since about Superintendent Beach, of the Naugatuck road, and his little son. The lad had been presented with a toy train of cars, and was found Sunday morning very busy playing with them. "Don't you know it is Sunday, my son?" said the father. The little fellow stopped his ears, and, scratching his head with a puzzled look, innocently said, "Yes, papa, but this a milk train."

The London *Medical Times* believes that the sympathy expressed for criminals supposed to suffer pain on account of the continued action of the heart after the neck is broken in hanging, is misplaced. It cites the recent triple execution at Prague to show that the heart may pulsate for a quarter of an hour after deaths which are shown to be instantaneous. Many cases are recorded where the heart's action has continued a long time after complete decapitation.

An old colored lady in the South in an experience meeting, is reported to have said: "Whenever I'se going on a journey I always pack my trunk a long way ahead, and I packs a little every day. Den I'se sure dat when de whistle blows I'll be ready. An' jnst so I tries to do a little every day to get ready for de good world, so dat when Gabriel blows de big trumpet I may have my trunk ready to git on de train."

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A Woman's Thought.

"I am so weary of my home!" she cried,
"And of its endless tasks so mean and small;
I love to mingle with the world outside,
To drink from life's full cup; the drops that fall
From breakers others clasp, tho gladly quaffed,
Shake not my thirst, my hand must hold the draught."

She feels a little hand slip into hers,
And little fingers clinging to her gown,
And in her heart a tender memory stirs
Of violet lids by early death shut down;
And as she lifts the little hinderer up,
"I drink," she cries, "at least from love's full cup."

"Forgive, dear Lord, forgive the foolish speech,
For love is all; without it life is naught;
Let me but have the blessing in my reach,
And I will nevermore complain of aught;
Life's cup may hold for woman what it will—
Without love's wine she will be thirsty still.

"And knowing this, how have I dared to call,
When love doth make the humblest toil divine,
My daily round of duties mean and small?
O darling, press your warm, soft lips to mine
While I thank God I safe at home abide,
Nor envy dwellers in the world outside."

"LOOKING OVER" MOTHER.

"Going anywhere this vacation, Kate Morgan?"

"No, I thought I would go to the Catskills for a week and have one good time like folks.' You know I never really did do anything just for pleasure, but the stern needs of the coming winter I think will change my plans."

"What's the need?"

"A velvet dress."

"You don't mean it. Do you forget that you are a graded school teacher at a salary of $3 a week?"

"I cannot help it. I have earned my money and saved it, and I want one thing that I feel at home in when I am invited to such places as Mrs. Cunningham's, for instance."

"All right, of course."

"Are you going anywhere, Louise?"

"No, I have changed my plan, too."

"What was it?"

"I was invited up to Uncle Edward's farm to spend the summer, and expected to go until I heard Dr. Lane's sermon two weeks ago."

"I did not hear him allude to the fact."

"Not exactly, but do you remember his asking us if we had ever thought what was the very best blessing we ever had, and advising us to go home and 'look over our blessings' and give God thanks for them?"

"I had no difficulty in thinking up my best blessing. It is my good, patient mother, and when I went home and 'looked over,' it did not take me long to decide who needed mountain air and fresh milk the most of any one. So the upshot of the matter is, mother goes for three weeks to the farm, and I am your most gracious and successful housekeeper at home. Come and take tea, will you?"

"Perhaps," Kate Morgan answered absently, and the two teachers left the subject and the large school room together.

But the earnest, energetic Kate Morgan took a new thought along the familiar streets. All the school years of her twenty-one years of life had been spent in some connection with that graded school in the busy manufacturing town of Benton. The year before she had been graduated with honor from the high school, and was at once offered a situation in the intermediate department, that she had filled to the satisfaction of all, and her own great enjoyment.

For so many years she had known what close economies were necessary in her plain home that the younger children might be clothed decently and that she might complete the school course. She had seen her father count out his quarterly salary as a clerk, and sigh over its meagreness again and again. She had seen the lines in her mother's patient face deepen over the problems of turned garments and doing without things. No wonder her salary had seemed to her almost a fortune, and its possibilities a little intoxicating. She was young, too, and pretty, with musical gifts that made her welcome everywhere. But she was a "child of the kingdom," too, and every day prayed, "Search me, O God, of thyself," and to such the Spirit is the leader.

It was late when she reached home, and she was still busy in "looking over" mother, and thinking that she had never seen her so pale and worn, when her father entered with a sigh over the warm day, and sank down into his chair quite exhausted. His daughter wondered that she had not noticed before how fast he was growing old. The three young children came in and sat down to the plain supper. Kate wished now she had bought a quart of berries in the morning, instead of that fashion magazine, when she saw how the sickly boy left his bread uneaten. Willie was thirteen, Herbert ten and little Alice five years of age. Three others were waiting up in "God's acre" on the hill.

That night up in her own room Kate went through a rapid mental calculation, and with pencil and paper laid the result plainly before her eyes, after this fashion:

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But it kept her awake that night, and it was several days before her busy brain gave her even a beginning of things, and how it should be saved. But each day she prayed, "Teach me, O God, of Thee, in this, as all things."

One morning at breakfast, she asked: "Father, when do you have your vacation this year?"

"The second and third weeks of August," was the reply, "but I shall probably straighten up Jay's books for him in the time—a little extra pay."

That afternoon found Kate walking up to the door of Deacon Hollis' pleasant farm house. She found the deacon and his wife sitting in their shaded porch, and met a hearty welcome. Their own three daughters were settled in homes of their own, and the old people enjoyed a call from Kate, and her singing greatly. She had to give them Rock of Ages now as soon as she recovered breath. It was some time before she could get to business. Then she asked:

"Deacon Hollis, have you disposed of your two-seated rockaway yet?"

"No."

"You don't use it?"

"Not often. Wife and I have agreed to ride on the same seat, so the little carriage answers us."

Then Kate's plan came out. She wanted to hire the deacon's staid horse, Roxy, and the roomy rockaway, and take her father and mother, and the children, with herself, on a ride of ten days or so out in the country.

"But where are you going?" asked Mrs. Hollis, whose kind heart was interested at once. "Your mother does look real peaked," she said.

"My plan is to go up to Lake George, see that, and spend one night there with friends that have visited us two or three times. Then, about thirty-five miles farther, in among the mountains, on a stage road, lives an old aunt and uncle of father's, who write us about once a year, and always urge us so heartily to come and visit them. Now is that too far?"

The deacon reckoned the miles, and said: "Roxy could easily do it in four days, and three back," he added; "she's a masterful hand to know when her head is turned homewards."

It was all settled at last. The deacon liked to put a generous bill in the collection for foreign missions, and he liked a good bargain, right well, and it did come a little hard to offer Roxy and the rockaway for "a dollar a day and her keep," but generosity compelled, and he never regretted it.

That evening Kate unfolded her plan at home. Of the surprise, the objections, the slow, because fearful, assent of the stay-at-home elders, and the delight of the children, we need not stop to speak of.

Suffice it, that the second week in August proved as bright and bland as could be desired, and at half-past five Roxy and the carriage were in waiting at the door of the Morgan home. Then it took the family just one hour to pack in the belongings necessary for the trip. Not the clothes—for each had on a good stout suit, and besides that carried one poorer to wear in the woods. But there was a small boiled ham, and three loaves of wheat bread, and a pail of ginger-snaps, and a package of cheese, a bag with salt and pepper for the eggs they should buy, and tea and coffee and sugar, pain-killer, liniment and a few other such motherly provisions.

"Husband, you havn't made a mistake in the box, have you? That does not look just like the one I put the sugar and things in."

It was opened and found to contain hard soap and silver polish, and they all enjoyed the laugh, and as for Kate, one look in her father's face was payment enough for all her trouble.

At last they were off in the early glory of the morning, through the half-awakened streets, down over the bridge near the noisy factories, and then out and up into the fair countryside, past beautiful farmhouses with their flowers and fruit orchards, through bits of woods where birds were chirping and squirrels racing, by little singing brooks and miniature falls, until at 11 o'clock they had come fifteen miles and were all agreed that a convenient wood with a big flat stone was just the place for a dining room; and here they camped out. Roxy was unharnessed, a little fire built by the brook, and over it they boiled some potatoes and eggs, and tea for two. They spread a cloth on a rock, and on it a toad perched himself as if quite at home. After dinner, papa and the boys went exploring, while mamma and Alice took a nap in the hammock, and Kate ambitiously sketched a tiny waterfall. Toward night they drove five miles farther and there put up at a country inn, where they found good beds and small bills. The next day they had three hours at Lake George and time to reach their friends' cordial welcome.

But the third day they really had an adventure. A thunderstorm overtook them on the lonely mountain road, and they were obliged to seek shelter in a barn, and finally to spend the night there, finding beds in hay or hammock or carriage as they best could, and thankful when morning gave them a bright sun again and a chance to go on.

And that Sabbath among the Adirondacks in its deep quiet, its purple haze, its majesty of rock and tree—will any of them ever forget it? And every hour of that pure, aromatic air seemed a tonic to the worn father and mother, the sick Willie, and to Kate it brought such a sense of majesty and of inexpressible rest, as gave to her prayer a new and richer meaning.

But all vacations have their end, and Wednesday morning found the Morgan family turned with face homeward. True to the character given her, Roxy encouraged no loitering by the way this time, and before sunset of Friday was meditating over the oats in her own stable.

"I've gained ten pounds, I do believe," Kate heard her father telling a neighbor, "and I feel like a new man." "I don't believe I have enjoyed getting up in the morning and going into my kitchen in five years before," Mrs. Morgan said, the next morning as she moulded her bread into loaves, "how much good a little change does do one, and I have got such a help, too, on my rag carpet from Aunt Martha—ten balls all cut and sewed. Well, Kate, you have given us all pleasure enough to satisfy any daughter."

And Kate was more than satisfied, even when she wore a plain cashmere for best, all winter.

"You went away after all," her friend Louise said, with a smile.

"Yes, after I had taken your advice and 'looked over mother' and father too, and counted them as my best blessings."

A GOOD WELL.

Several days ago a Northern gentleman came to Little Rock and announced his intention of buying a home. "I am not so particular with regard to the house and grounds," said he, "as I am about the water. There must be a good well of cold water."

"Think I've got the very place," replied an old fellow whose shirt bosom was streaked with tobacco juice.

"Good well?"

"Finest in the land."

"Cold water?"

"Coldest you ever saw. I wouldn't sell but I've got another place which I'm tired of renting. Suppose you come up to-morrow and look at it."

"All right; meet me here."

The next day the old fellow came down and conducted the Northern gentleman to his premises.

"House is not very good," said the Northern gentleman.

"No, nothin' extra."

"Grounds are not very pleasing."

"No great shakes. Let's try the water."

He drew a bucket of water from the well, and when the Northern gentleman drank, his teeth chattered.

"Why, that's the coldest water I ever drank," said he.

"Coldest in the land, I tell you. So cold it killed the flowers when I watered 'em with it."

The Northern gentleman was so pleased that he bought the place without further questioning, seeing that the old fellow was not anxious to sell, and fearing that he might change his mind.

Several days after the Northern gentleman sought the old fellow and said:

"I ought to take a gun and shoot you, you swindling scoundrel."

"What's the matter?" looking up in surprise.

"Matter! Why, that water is so warm I can't drink it. I bought it with the understanding that it was cold."

"Was cold when you bought it, podner."

"But it's warm now."

"Yes, for you see, the ice has melted. No trouble to make that water cold, podner. All you've got to do is throw in a cart-load of ice. No well is of any account unless you take care of it. I'm in the ice business. Would like to have your trade."
—*Arkansaw Traveller.*

A ROBBER IN THE HOUSE.

The clock struck three; two of the children awoke with "squalls," and Mrs. Mickson, turning over with a flounce, called to her husband, who was lying in an adjoining room:

"Peter!"

"Well?"

"I believe there's a man in the house."

"Yes, I'm here."

"I don't mean you. I smell a cigar."

"Where did you get it?"

"I havn't got it, you greenhorn. I mean that I smell cigar smoke. I know that somebody has slipped into this house, and you needn't say there hasn't," and she arose and looked under the bed.

"Who do you think it is?" asked the husband.

"It's a robber, that's who."

"Do you think that a robber would come around a man's house and smoke cigars?"

"It makes no difference. I smell cigar smoke," opening the closet door.

"I smell cigar smoke, too," said the husband. "I have been smelling it for some time."

"Get up, and help me look for it."

"What, the smoke?"

"No, the man."

"Come on, and I think we can find him."

Mrs. Mickson entered her husband's room and found that gentleman lying on the bed, smoking a cigar.

"I don't believe you have good sense!" indignantly exclaimed the wife. "Why didn't you tell me that you were lying here smoking like a fool?"

"Because I'm not smoking like a fool."

"Oh, you think you are smart!" and the lady went back and tumbled into bed.—*Arkansaw Traveller.*

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Ordered to clear the court, an Irish crier at Ballinasloe did so by this announcement: "Now, then, all ye blackguards that isn't lawyers must leave the coort!"—*Auburn News and Bulletin.*

"Are you sure you are converted?" said Mr. Spurgeon to a devout house-maid. "Please, sir, I think I am, for now I sweep under the beds."

"It's no use to fale av my wrist, doctor," said Pat, when the doctor began taking his pulse. "The pain is not there, sorr, it's in me hed entoirely."

OVER A COFFIN-LID.

"She—was—a—good—wife—to—me! A good wife, God bless her!"

The words were spoken in trembling accents over a coffin-lid. The woman asleep there had borne the heat and burden of life's long day, and no one had ever heard her murmur; her hand was quick to reach out in a helping grasp to those who fell by the wayside, and her feet were swift on errands of mercy; the heart of her husband had trusted in her; he had left her to long hours of solitude while he amused himself in scenes in which she had no part. When boon companions deserted him, when fickle affection selfishly departed, when pleasure palled, he went home and found her waiting for him.

"Come from your long, long roving,
On life's sea so bleak and rough,
Come to me tender and loving,
And I shall be blest enough."

That had been her love-song—always on her lips or in her heart. Children had been born to them. She had reared them almost alone—they were gone! Her hand had led them to the uttermost edge of that morning that has no noon. Then she had comforted him, and sent him out strong and whole-hearted while she stayed at home and—cried. What can a woman do but cry—and trust?

Well, she is at rest now. But she could not die until he had promised to "bear up," not to fret, but to remember how happy they had been. They? Yes, it was even so. For she was blest in giving, and he in receiving. It was an equal partnership then after all!

"She—was—a—good—wife—to—me!"

Oh, man! man! Why not have told her so, when her ears were not chilled by death? Why wait to say these words over a coffin wherein lies a wasted, weary, gray-haired woman, whose eyes have so long held that pathetic story of loss and suffering and patient yearning, which so many women's eyes reveal—to those who read. Why not have made the wilderness in her heart blossom like the rose with the prodigality of your love? Now you would give worlds—were they yours to give—to see the tears of joy your words would have once caused, bejeweling the closed windows of the soul.

It is too late.

"We have careful thoughts for the stranger,
And smiles for the some-time guest—
But oft for own
The bitter tone,
Though we love our own the best."
—*Detroit Free Press.*

THE MANUFACTURE OF SPOONS.

Probably there is no article of table or of other household use in the production of which so little of machine working is employed. Almost all the work on solid silver spoons is handwork; the exceptions are the rolling of the ingot into plates and the production of spoons with ornamentation in relief, which is produced by recessed patterns on the rolls.

The material for spoons is coin silver obtained from the government mints in ingots or from trade for old silver, or from the use of current coin. This is melted over a charcoal fire in plumbago crucibles to a certain heat, known to the adept by the appearance of the surface of the molten metal. It is poured into cast-iron moulds, forming bars of about seventy ounces weight each.

These bars are heated over a forge fire of charcoal and worked on the anvil by hammer and sledge, precisely as iron or steel is worked, or are rolled into plates or ribbons. Occasional annealings are necessary to prevent cracking, the annealing being heating red-hot and quenching in cold water. The ribbon for the ordinary teaspoon is four and a half inches long by three-eighths of an inch wide. When rolled, a blank of two and a quarter inches is lengthened to four and a half inches, to thin it down to spoon thickness.

The curvature of the bowl is produced by repeated "conxing" blows by a steel punch and a die of cast composition of lead and tin. No fine dressing is employed on the faces of the spoon; only the edges are filedressed to form. From the anvil and the die the spoons come to hand smoothing with Scotch gray stones and polishing by stiff brushes, generally revolving brushes charged with "grits" and oil. "Grits" is a peculiar material found in several places, the best in Wallingford, Conn., that has some of the qualities of tripoli, but appears to be an argillaceous deposit with calcareous particles too fine to be palpable. Burnishing is the finest of spoons as of all bright silver goods. All these are hand processes; machinery has little to do with the production of solid silver spoons.

TRUTH IN FABLE.—Tourgueneff, the well-known Russian author, has just published a volume of short stories of peasant life in the steppes, and has interspersed them with delicious little fables or parables, all bearing the mark of his masterly hand. The following is so exquisite, and withal so true, that it may be quoted:

One day a great prince determined to give a fete in his beautiful palace. All of the virtues were invited, but the virtues alone, none other.

There came a great many, large ones and small ones. The little ones were much more courteous and pleasing than the large ones, but all of them seemed very happy and conversed politely with one another.

But the prince noticed two beautiful ladies who did not seem to be acquainted with each other. He went to them, then taking one of them by the hand, he led her to the other, saying: 'Let me introduce you.'

'Benevolence,' said he, indicating the former; 'Gratitude,' added he, indicating the latter.

The two ladies were indescribably surprised. Since the world was the world, and that was a long time ago, it was the first time they had met.

Fools usually know best that which the wise despair of ever comprehending.—*Eschenbach.*

Solitude.

Laugh, and the world laughs with you;
Weep, and you weep alone.
For the sad old earth must borrow its mirth,
But has trouble enough of its own.
Sing, and the hills will answer;
Sigh and it is lost on the air.
The echoes bound to a joyful sound,
But shrink from voicing care.

Rejoice, and men will seek you;
Grieve, and they turn and go.
They want full measure of all your pleasure,
But they do not need your woe.
Be glad, and your friends are many;
Be sad, and you lose them all.
There are none to decline your nectared wine,
But alone you must drink life's gall.

Feast, and your halls are crowded;
Fast, and the world goes by.
Succeed and give, and it helps you live.
But no man can help you die.
There is room in the halls of pleasure
For a large and lordly train,
But one by one we must all die on
Through the narrow aisles of pain.
—*Ella Wheeler.*

PRESIDENT POLK'S WIDOW.

Right in the heart of Nashville stands a large, old-fashioned homestead of dull red brick, its roof projecting over the broad piazza, supported by great fluted pillars, and its general aspect conveying an impression of severe stateliness, in pleasing variance with the distorted, would-be fashionable architecture in the same neighborhood. A long lawn stretches in front of the house, and its pleasant green monotony is unbroken save by a plain and massive tomb of white marble, which carries its own best epitaph in the simple inscription, James K. Polk.

A ring at the bell brought to the door a good-natured colored girl, who took our cards to the venerable and venerated widow of President Polk.

Time, of course, has stolen the vivid coloring and curved outlines of youth, but he has not robbed her of the upright figure and dignified carriage, and has left brightness in her eyes and vivacity in her voice, beside lending an added charm in her faultless manners.

From the library of the dead president, she can gaze upon the tomb that marks his last resting place, and in that same library remains his hat, gloves and cane, just where he laid them when he came home for the last time. The book he was reading lies open on the table, and papers of the day beside it.

In society, and fond of it, Mrs. Polk has never yet accepted an invitation since her husband's death, though with graceful hospitality and tact she has received on the first day of each year the Tennessee Legislature, which adjourns in a body to call upon her—and which I am told is the highest compliment ever paid by state authorities to a lady—and the civil, judicial and ecclesiastical bodies make it a point to pay their respects to her.—*Nashville (Tenn.) Banner.*

THE LIGHTHOUSE HEROINE.

A letter from Newport, R. I., says:—"The Lime Rock lighthouse, rendered famous as the home of Ida Lewis, the 'Grace Darling of America,' continues to send forth its friendly light on the waters of Newport harbor and Narragansett bay. The only occupants of the bit of land where the light is located are Ida, now a mature woman of about forty years and much broken in health, and her aged mother. Ida's only brother is mate of a coasting vessel and absent from home most of the time. Her only sister, a lovely girl, died last November. The light is under the exclusive charge of Ida. The place is a model of neatness and comfort. Pictures of the dead sister and other members of the family hang upon the walls, while articles of bric-a-brac are neatly and systematically arranged in various places about the room. But few call at the lighthouse these days, and Ida and her mother lead lonely lives there. Two large Newfoundland dogs keep watch and ward on the outside and keep off intruders during the night. The grounds comprising the surface of the rock have been fully improved. The rough places have been platformed over, and the only spot of earth on the place has been made into a flower garden. Ida, who draws a larger salary by $200 than any other shore light-keeper on the coast, is also exempted from the new regulation requiring light-keepers to wear uniforms. She has no objection to the regulation if Uncle Sam would furnish the uniforms, as he does for those who enlist in the army. Ida is probably among the last of the feminine lighthouse keepers, as the department has resolved henceforth to confine the appointments wholly to the male gender. She finds no fault with the treatment she has received from the government, and fervently hopes she may end her days at Lime Rock, where she has made an enviable reputation for bravery. She has a name and place in history, and will be remembered long after she has been gathered to her fathers."

"DE BELLE OF DAT FUNERAL."—"I'se gwine to leave you all to-morrow," said a brawny colored cook to a lady who presides over a West End mansion a few days ago. The lady was naturally surprised and remarked: "Why, Dinah, what is the meaning of this? We are all pleased with your cooking."

"I'se goin' to git married."

"Why, you startle me! I never notice any of your gentlemen friends coming here, and you very rarely go out."

"Don't you know that I went to a funeral last Sunday?"

"Yes; but what has that got to do with marrying?"

"I'se gwine to marry the husband of the corpse."

"But the wife died only a week ago."

"Dat's so; but makes no difference."

"Did he propose to you at the grave?"

"No, not zackly, but I was de bell of dat funeral, I know dat."

Dinah has since wedded the heart-broken widow."

FORTRESS MONROE.

Fortress Monroe is the largest fort in the world, covering an area of seventy acres. It is all government reservation; not an inch of the land can be bought. It was ceded to the government by Virginia, which recognized its importance as a military post. The fort was built in 1817, and to the uninitiated looks impregnable. The general plan is that of an irregular hexagon, two sides fronting the water, and furnished with two tiers of guns, while four sides command the land view. A broad moat, in which at high tide the water rises eight feet, surrounds the entire structure. The ramparts rise to a height of seventeen feet, from which a charming view is gained. Prior to the war, Old Point Comfort was one of the most famous watering places in the country. Thither the fashionable families of the South and the wealthy pleasure seekers of the North resorted, and mingled in the mazy waltz or the stately minuet, promenaded upon the ramparts while the band discoursed delightful music, or enjoyed a brisk canter over the shell road, which leads to the historic little town of Hampton.

In Hampton we find now the National Cemetery, the Butler school, the Normal Institute, and the Soldiers' National Home. This little town can almost boast of the oldest church in America, St. John's being rebuilt in 1864. This interesting relic of colonial times was burned at the evacuation of Hampton, when there was only one house left to tell the tale of departed glory. Yorktown had a church of equal antiquity, but this, too, was destroyed past recognition. The Soldiers' National Home was, prior to the war, a young ladies' seminary; but a bright fieldpiece now adorns the handsome grounds. Between 800 and 900 old veterans find a home here, and seem happy and contented. They have a fine library, billiard room, and even a theater for their amusement.

The National Cemetery is a spot hallowed by sad memories. Here 16,000 brave men sleep the sleep from which no sound of battle will ever awaken them.

The daily dress parade and guard mounting are features of attraction here as in West Point, and it is wonderful what an effect the latter has upon the habit of young women residing near the post. They rise with the lark in order to see the regulars mount guard for the day.

Although under military rule, all are happy, and Old Point Comfort is rapidly regaining her prestige as one of the most charming watering places, not only for a summer resort, but for a delightful winter residence for the invalid who desires a climate neutralized by the Southern heat and Northern cold. The air is as intoxicating as champagne, exerting almost the same exhilarating influence. Happy children, pretty girls and their sweethearts, handsome women and gallant officers combine in forming a picture to which memory loves to turn.

During a long session of Congress, when the thermometer is among the nineties, Old Point Comfort becomes to the senators and members what Coney Island is to New York, and thither they resort by scores.

BLACKBURN'S STORY.

Blackburn was sitting the other night in Chamberlain's with a party of fellow-Congressmen, when the conversation turned to the war, and he related the following:

"Did I ever tell you a funny thing that happened to me during the war? Well, it was in this way: Four days before I went to the front with my regiment we had a little girl baby. She is now grown, and you always see her with me at any social gathering. Well, in our army, the furloughs came very rarely. When we got into line there was no great chance for a man to get home. It was about three years afterward that a few of us were one night going down the Mississippi on a river steamer. I had been sick and was returning to my command, but pretty well broken up, even then. As for money, we did not have any, and the night was hot, as I laid down on the deck, my throat almost parched with thirst. Pretty soon a little girl came along with a big glass of lemonade. I tell you it looked good to me. She saw me eying it, stopped a minute, looked doubtfully at me and finally came up to my side. 'You look as if you wanted something to drink,' she said, and offered me the glass. It was not quite the square thing to do, but I took it and handed it back empty. It was like nectar to me. Then I thanked the little creature and sent her away. Soon after, just like every child, she came back leading her mother to see the poor soldier. By Jupiter! it was my wife, and the girl was the baby whom I had last seen as a baby just born. You can imagine the reunion. They were with my brother's family, and happened to be going down river. That was the only time during the four years' fighting that I saw my wife and baby, and under these circumstances what man would ever forget it?"—*Washington Correspondent Troy Times.*

"Why is that carpet like a riot?" asked Mrs. Fusanfeathers of Mr. F. as he came into the sitting-room, just as they had finished cleaning it. "I don't know," answered Mr. F. "Because it must be put down," responded Mrs. F., handing him the hammer and tacks. He put it down.—*Peck's Sun.*

The fibre of silk is the longest continuous fibre known. An ordinary cocoon of a well-fed silkworm will often reel 1000 yards, and reliable accounts are given by Count Dandolo of a cocoon yielding 1295 yards, or a fibre nearly three-quarters of a mile in length.

What is resignation? Placing God between ourselves and our trouble.—*Madame Swetchine.*

"The sun shines for all," while the moon looks placidly down on a few spooney couples.

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 13, 1884.

We "rise to remark" on having been able to present to our readers the result of the Chicago convention within a short time after the final ballot, having held our forms some time in order to obtain the latest news. With the exception of the Somerville *Journal*, none of our exchanges of last week announced the result.

Tilden G. Abbott, the defaulting cashier of the Watertown bank, has been sentenced to eight years in the state prison—a fit, and none too severe punishment. Swift and sharp retribution should follow every embezzling official. Let the way of the transgressor be made hard, indeed, and its penalties sure, and stock speculation may lose somewhat of its charms for this class of transgressors.

The Framingham *Tribune* thinks the Journal strains a point and makes a misstatement regarding that paper, in commenting on its plea for purer journalism. The Journal never intentionally misrepresents any person or paper, and if the editor of the *Tribune* will look through his advertising columns again until he reaches the illustrated inch-and-a-half adv. headed "30 days' trial," he will understand what we consider "objectional" advertisements, and must concede that our objections are well founded.

Mr. Tilden has settled the question of his candidacy for the presidency by publishing a letter in which he announces his final and irrevocable withdrawal from public life. This will be a great disappointment to those Democrats who have been whooping up "the old ticket," and will be a relief to other candidates, who knew there was no chance for them so long as there was a possibility that Tilden would accept another nomination. His withdrawal brings Gov. Cleveland to the front as the strougest candidate which the Democrats can nominate, but it is by no means certain that they will be wise enough to improve their opportunity.

THIS, THAT, AND THE OTHER.

"A Woman's Reason"—'Cause.

Can a man be a good christian, and still deal out church fair lemonade?

Vennor, the weather prophet, is dead. Wonder if he struck a hot wave.

Now that Oscar Wilde has got married, he will probably tame down somewhat.

The familiar salutation "Is this hot enough for you?" has been withdrawn to give place to "How do you like the nomination?"

Although the frost has killed the strawberries, the churches rejoice in the fact that it had no effect whatever on the ice cream crop.

The writer of the song "My Grandfather's Clock," died at Hartford this week. If the piece could only have died with him, all would have been well.

The fact that the Glorious Fourth is coming is being made known by the small boy, who cannot resist the temptation to set off a few crackers before that day arrives.

The Natick *Bulletin* speaks of "The Palmer Journal, the handsomest local paper which comes to our desk." Thank you, brother; we try to keep up a good appearance, and it encourages us to know that we are succeeding in our endeavors.

THE CANDIDATES.

James G. Blaine was born Jan. 31, 1830, in Washington county, Pa. His father was one of the largest land owners in Western Pennsylvania. At the age of 13, James G. Blaine entered Washington college and graduated in 1847. Soon after he became tutor in mathematics in Dremon college, Kentucky. He afterwards taught in Pennsylvania where he studied law, and at the age of 23 he removed to Augusta, Me., having married the daughter of Jacob Sleeper of that city. The following year he became part proprietor and editor of the Kennebec *Journal*, and with that began his political career. His paper was vigorously political, and Mr. Blaine became one of the founders of the Republican party in Maine. From 1858 he served four years in the state legislature, the last two years being speaker of the House, and in 1862 was elected to the national House of Representatives. In 1867, after a trip to Europe, he became the foremost opponent in the House of the greenback delusion, and in 1869 was chosen speaker of the House, which position he filled with great ability for three successive sessions, retiring March 4, 1875. In July, 1876, he was appointed senator from Maine to fill the vacancy caused by Senator Morrill's retirement to accept the position of secretary of the treasury. The same year he was elected senator for the next full term, and was Garfield's secretary of state. In the presidential convention of 1876 Mr. Blaine was defeated, as he was by Garfield in 1880. Mr. Blaine's mother was a Roman Catholic, but he is a member of the Congregational church, and when at Washington habitually attends the Presbyterian church with his family.

Gen. John A. Logan of Chicago was born of Irish parents in Jackson county, Ill., Feb. 9, 1826. His early education was rather meagre, but he subsequently attended the Louisville University, where he graduated. When the Mexican war broke out, Logan enlisted as a volunteer, and afterwards became lieutenant and quartermaster. In 1848 he returned home, studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1851. The same year he was elected to the state Legislature, where he served three terms. In 1856 he was a Democratic Presidential elector and voted for James Buchanan. Two years later he was elected to Congress as a Democrat, and was reëlected in 1858. In 1861 he resigned in order to engage in the army service as colonel of the 31 Illinois regiment. For gallant service at Fort Donelson, where he was severely wounded, he was made brigadier general in 1862. In 1861 Gen. Logan was elected as a Republican to the Fortieth Congress. He was reëlected to the Forty-first Congress, and in 1870 was chosen senator from Illinois to succeed Richard Yates. David Davis defeated him for reëlection in 1876, but in 1879 he was again elected to the senate as successor to Senator R. S. Oglesby. His term of service will expire March 3, 1885.

Mr Blaine receives eighty cents a volume royalty for his book. About 100,000 volumes have already been ordered, so that the writer is sure of $80,000 for his year's work, and it is calculated that a million copies will be sold, giving him the snug sum of $800,000. He has now spent about two years upon the work.

Judge Advocate General Swain of the army is to be court-martialed, for a series of discreditable transactions with a brokerage firm.

BLAINE AND LOGAN.

Such is the ticket which the Republican national convention has selected for the coming campaign. The Maine statesman won an easy victory when balloting was reached last Friday, the result being quickly foreseen after the first ballot, and on the declaration of the fourth ballot his nomination was made unanimous amidst the wildest enthusiasm. The convention then adjourned till evening, when Gen. John A. Logan of Illinois was nominated for vice president, his name being the only one presented. The convention then adjourned.

The news of the nomination was received with the greatest enthusiasm in many parts of the West and California, where Blaine is very popular. In the East it was not so acceptable, and in Massachusetts it was very generally deplored. Mr. Blaine received the news at his home in Augusta, Me., and took the matter very coolly. The people began to flock to his house at once, delegations coming in from other towns and cities, and all were received very cordially, Mr. Blaine making a short speech which he began as follows:

"Well, the biggest liar in the country cannot say I schemed, or dictated, or traded, or had anything to do with this nomination or convention. I have asked no delegate to vote for me, have written to no man; to no one have I said one word in any manner or shape that can in any way be construed to be a bid or a move toward this nomination."

It is too early to prophesy as to the results of the nomination. That it is a sore disappointment to thousands of Republicans is evident enough, and those of independent proclivities will largely bolt the ticket. The Boston *Advertiser* and *Transcript*, Springfield *Republican*, New York *Times* and several other prominent dailies will not support the ticket, and it seems very much as though a serious mistake had been made in not putting up a candidate who would command the cordial and aggressive support of every Republican in the land, and of the Independents as well, for the latter are not to be sneered at nor their votes repulsed with safety. The first inclination of very many Republicans will be to "take to the woods," but before definitely repudiating the ticket they will wait and see what the Democrats will do at their convention. If that party is intelligent and progressive enough to nominate a clean and able man like Cleveland or Bayard, they will draw thousands of votes from the Republicans.

STRAY NOTES AND COMMENT.

New York *Tribune*: "I told you so."

Gov. Robinson says Blaine will be elected beyond a doubt.

Mr. Blaine will be officially notified of his nomination on the 20th inst.

The national committee meet at New York on the 26th, to organize for the campaign.

Massachusetts stood by Edmunds to the last, giving him 18 votes on the fourth ballot, to 7 for Arthur and 3 for Blaine.

The New York Independents will hold a convention in July to see about making a nomination or accepting the Democratic ticket.

A committee of California delegates left Chicago Saturday to visit the nominees and assure them of the support of the entire Pacific coast.

Blaine is the first New Englander the Republicans have nominated for President, and it is 30 years since an Eastern man has been put up for the office.

President Arthur telegraphed his "earnest and cordial support," Gen. Logan sent congratulations, and similar dispatches were received from Senator Dawes and many others.

Blaine and Logan are identified with what most needs to be eradicated from our politics without distinction of party, and whoever votes for them will do so with eyes wide open.—*Congregationalist.*

A meeting of Republicans opposed to Blaine was held at Young's Hotel, Boston, this afternoon, for organization, the call being signed by Henry L. Pierce, Charles R. Codman, William Endicott, Jr., and many others.

The decision of a national convention no longer reflects the matured judgement of a great party holding itself responsible for the guidance of the nation, but is the chance result of a contest in which intense ambition, the most degraded political methods and the clamor of a mob within the hall of the convention have had a victory.—*Boston Advertiser.*

With all his faults and mistakes Blaine is a man of splendid ability, generous heart, patriotic purposes and unequalled experience and knowledge of public affairs. His immense and devoted following in all the states and among all classes reveals a personality of remarkable power and magnetism. Since Henry Clay no man has inspired such wide, deep and fervid popular attachment and devotion. Senator John A. Logan has a splendid record as a Union general and a republican of staunch and fearless devotion. We hope and trust that they will be elected, because we believe that the success of the republican party is necessary for the peace, progress and prosperity of the republic.—*North Adams Transcript.*

The nominations at Chicago, made against the most friendly Republican remonstrance, have forced upon Republicans the conviction that the great objects of the Republican party—honest and economical administration, peaceful and honorable foreign relations, the progressive purification of the public service at home, wise reduction of the revenue, and that sense of general security which springs from the moral elevation of the administration—are not to be expected from Republican success. To this statement it is no reply that less is to be expected from the Democrats. Those who have aroused the deep and general protest of the Republican conscience must bear the responsibility of the result. Fidelity to Republican principle requires indifference to present Republican success. —*Harper's Weekly.*

Twenty-four members of the Salvation Army at Cleveland, O., were arrested last Friday night for disturbing the peace by parading, shouting, singing, etc., and four of them fined $15 and costs. The judge declared that the army had become a nuisance, and must be suppressed the same as any other nuisance. He threatened the heaviest fine possible if they were arrested again.

A prominent manufacturer of Columbus, O., who did not favor Sunday ball playing, called his 900 workmen together, and announced that the factories would shut down every Saturday at 3 p. m., without reduction of wages, if they would refuse to attend Sunday ball games, to which the men readily agreed.

John C. Eno, the runaway ex-president of the Second National Bank of New York is still undergoing a series of releases and arrests at Quebec, and it is yet uncertain whether he will be returned to this country.

A Gloucester fishing schooner, on her homeward voyage with a cargo of fish, was run down and sunk last week, the crew perishing with her.

LOCAL NOTICES.

The person holding ticket No. 330 is entitled to the $65 Household sewing machine at Clark's shoe store.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

Edgerton & Davis, of the Palmer Iron Foundry, are out with a new business wagon.

There will be preaching in the M. E. church at Four Corners next Sunday at 1 p. m.

A goodly number of our people went to Springfield to see the white elephant on Monday.

About 40 of the ladies of the anxiliary visitors were at the Primary School on Wednesday.

Children's Sunday will be observed at the Universalist church one week from next Sunday.

The grade of Knox street is being changed so as to bring the surface of the street below the sidewalks.

Sidney Kelsey, Jr., had his hand somewhat pinched while coupling cars in the New London Northern yard on Wednesday.

Julian Tuthill has resigned the position of clerk at the post office in order to attend Monson Academy, and Frank Tupper takes his place.

The rain of yesterday was gladly welcomed by all, the dry weather having parched the gardens and made the roads extremely dusty.

Last Sunday was a terribly hot, windy and dusty day, and those who sought comfort in an after-dinner drive brought plenty of dust home with them.

The Betts Fencing Co. are putting up a quantity of their fence for the Boston & Albany railroad on the north side of the track just east of the village.

The Blaine delegates from California passed through this place Monday morning in a special car attached to the modoc, bound on a visit to the man of their choice.

A special train was run out to this village from Springfield Monday evening, to accommodate those who had been to see Barnum, and to relieve the 7.05 express somewhat.

There was a good-sized company at the rink last Friday evening to see the fancy skating of Miss Carrie Gilmore, and all agree that she did much better than when here before.

Rev. Mr. Hunter made some interesting remarks to the children last Sunday morning. A choir of children from the State Primary School sang several songs in a very pleasing manner.

Charles L. Gardner and Calvin Johnson had horses badly injured by barbed wire fences last Sunday night. They broke out of the pasture, and cut themselves severely by running against the barbs.

Two handorgans, each seemingly endeavoring to be more hideous than the other, and a drunken fellow trying to dance to the racket, created no little amusement on Main street yesterday afternoon.

There are now two boxes at the depot for the receipt of mail matter, one near each end of the covered platform on the B. & A. side, one being for east and one for west bound mail exclusively.

As the weather was not very favorable for out door gatherings, the strawberry festival of the Second Congregational society was held in the church vestry on Tuesday evening, and was a decided success.

The examination of candidates for admission to the high school will be held in the high school room one week from to-morrow at 9 a. m., when all who desire to take the examination are requested to be present.

We actually believe that if some benevolent person should make this village a present of a sprinkling cart the residents would not be enterprising enough to hire a man to run it. They'd rather have the dust, and clean house seven times a year.

One of our clergymen, in telling a story last Sunday to illustrate a point said that a young lady who was anxious to do something for herself "learned the millinery trade and set up a dress-making establishment." He did not notice the joke, but the audience did.

Among the patents issued on Tuesday June 3d, was one to Geo. F. Wright of the Palmer Wire Goods Company of this place, for a "shuttle for weaving wire cloth." This week the company has received some large orders for steel sparker cloths, for western railroad companies.

A newly married couple came to one of our hotels a short time ago, and after a stay of a couple of days, during which time they neither came to the table nor had meals sent to their room, the proprietor accidentally discovered that they were subsisting chiefly upon dried beef and fancy crackers.

In another column will be found an advertisement copeerning "Palmer Illustrated," which is to be published in a short time. This will be a work which will be an ornament to any center table or library, and one of which all should possess a copy. The subscription books will remain open until July 1st, and orders may be left at this office.

The foolishness of standing on the platform and talking until the last moment, before getting on the cars, was illustrated at the New London Northern train the other evening, when an old lady of some seventy years attempted to get on after the train was in motion, and but for the interference of some of the bystanders would probably have been hurt.

Franklin M. Shaw of Palmer Center has left at this office for exhibition a snake skin which is over six feet long, and which is whole and intact, just as his snake-ship left it when he crawled out of it and cast off his last year's suit. Mr. Shaw caught it in the high wind of last Saturday, happening to see it coming through the air when some two miles distant.

The dust from that portion of Main street between the bridge and Central street is exceedingly troublesome to the residents on the north side of the street, great clouds of it arising with every passing team, while the entire village has been treated to a great abundance of the same this week, closed doors and windows seemingly having no effort in keeping it out.

The only sure way of getting a copy of the Journal each week is by subscribing for it; you will not then be obliged to go without a copy when you want it most. Last week we were unable to fill the demand by a good many copies. This makes it unpleasant for us as well as our customers, but as we cannot tell when there will be an extra demand, are compelled to disappoint some who do not call early.

One of the hotel porters thought he would take a short cut to the depot the other morning, just as the modoc was coming in, and started to go over the picket fence between Main street and the depot grounds. He got over all right, but the most prominent portion of his pants got caught on a picket, and there he hung, unable to get either up or down, until help arrived. He says going around is good enough for him after this.

A man who was not acquainted with the fence arrangement at the depot started to go cross lots to the hotel one day this week, not noticing the fence until he got close to it. He was in a hurry, and so tried to crawl under, but he was too big—then he tried to go over, but didn't like the looks of the sharp-pointed pickets—he looked to the right, to the left, made up his mind it was no go, and then he—swore. And his remarks were not light ones, by any means, oh, no; they were genuine stub-and-twist, dyed-in-the-wool, warranted-not-to-fade-in-the-wash expressions.

DISTRICT COURT.

Business at the district court has been rather light this week, for some reason or other. Yesterday, Dominique Carbonor was up for drunkenness and cruelty to a horse. A fine and costs of $6.34 on the former complaint, and $14.43 on the latter, was inflicted upon him, but as he could not settle he gave up his hard driving and went to Springfield.

This morning Samuel Campbell of Wilbraham said he "supposed he was drunk" yesterday. His Honor also supposed so, and wanted $4.33 as a settlement.

Charles Forbes of Amherst fell into temptation in this town, and not being able to resist spent last night in the cooler sobering off, and this morning was also assessed $4.33.

A HARD CASE.

Under the caption, "A Curiosity of Justice," the Springfield *Republican* has the following to say in regard to a recent court case in that city, which has a local interest:

The consolations of a state witness with more honesty than money must be very heroic to be fully enjoyed. People who have a passion for telling the truth at their own convenience can readily comprehend the exquisite satisfaction there is in lying for months in a jail of this commonwealth in order that the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth may be recorded in a liquor-license case. We have had an instance of this the past week here in Springfield. Two Palmer liquor dealers were being prosecuted and the cases were appealed. The principal witness for the state was a weaver without money or friends. Not being able to obtain bail, he was thrown into the State-street jail pending the appeal, the liquor dealers having no difficulty, however, in securing sureties. An honest man is thus imprisoned while the offenders are let out. It is discretionary with a judge whether he will detain a witness because he is too poor to comply with the law and yet too honest to evade his responsibilities as a man and a citizen. In a civil case the detention of a witness is not admissible, and only on the best evidence ought a man to be treated like a felon because he is able to do the state a service and because the state cruelly presumes that he will not do it. The Palmer case seems inexcusable. The weaver was thrown in with various offenders and worked with them. It is said that the district attorney advised the witness to do this to offset his board bill—a refinement of justice indeed! To be sure the man was willing to tell the truth under oath. Why should he not be willing to work out his board while abiding the leisure of the state? More than this, the weaver usually earned $1.80 a day in the mill, and he therefore put in a claim of $200 when the four months were up. This was denied him, but $50 was handed him by way of pin money. If the case had been one of murder it is quite possible that a judge should think it advisable to shut up a witness, but in a common liquor case, where the usual punishment is a fine simply, the course pursued is altogether too Russian.

BONDSVILLE.

Names of scholars who have been neither tardy nor absent the past term in the intermediate school: Nellie Brean, Julie Dowd, Annie Dunn, Katie Moriarty, Mamie Sullivan, Johnnie Connor, Owen Smith.

WALES.

The last week of dry weather has injured the grass badly. Old fields will necessarily be light.

E. Shaw is building a bank wall in front of his Dell Mill, which will add much to the beauty of the yard.

Switzer Brothers of Monson have rented the meat market, and will soon be ready to feed the poor and hungry—but not without money. It is a good motto to patronize your own market as far as practicable.

BRIMFIELD.

On Friday, June 6th, about one hundred of the people of the First Congregational church made a social call upon their new pastor, Rev. Joseph Kyte, and had a very pleasant visit.

It is reported that John L. Bacon has bargained with N. F. Robinson for the dwelling house and store connected therewith, now occupied by Cheney Newton, and that he expects soon to occupy the same as a drug store, and for the sale of groceries, etc., with Geo. A. Webster as clerk.

BELCHERTOWN.

Mr. Fuller and wife have many friends, and guests at his hotel are pleasantly entertained.

Children's Sunday was observed in the various churches last Sunday with appropriate exercises.

The drama "Bread on the Waters" was repeated last Friday night by the high school club, who did themselves much credit. The laughable farce of "The Fellow that Looks Like Me," was also given.

The reunion of the Kenfield family was celebrated June 5th, at the home of Mrs. Charlotte Kenfield, all her children being present except the youngest son, A. W. Kenfield of Little Falls, New York. Grandchildren and greatgrandchildren were present. Dinner for the company was served by Landlord Fuller, who did himself much credit on the occasion by promptness, and also the care and neatness of the bountifully spread table.

THREE RIVERS.

Rev. C. L. Ayer has accepted the call of the Union church, and will commence his pastoral labors about the first of July.

Rev. Mr. Ayer will preach at the Union church Sunday morning. In the evening a Sunday school concert will be given, to which all are cordially invited.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society of the Baptist church will give a strawberry supper in their vestry on Friday evening the 25th. The public are cordially invited.

The Ladies' Society will give an entertainment, musical, dramatic, and social, at the Union vestry Thursday evening, June 19th. Special features of the evening's programme will be the appearance of the Peak Sisters and Crow Brothers. The comical farce "Wanted, a Male Cook," will be presented. After the entertainment a social hour will be passed, during which ice cream will be served.

WEST WARREN.

Butterworth Brothers have this week opened a market in the place recently vacated by M. J. Kerigan.

G. L. Rockwell has sold M. D. Spooner's two stove and tin stores in Warren and West Warren to Springfield parties.

A. W. Lincoln has in operation on his wood lot a portable saw mill, cutting poles for railings on the Warren and West Warren roads.

E. Peltier, who has recently purchased a building lot adjoining the premises of Mrs. Collins, of Nathan Richardson, intends erecting a suitable building thereon.

There will be a sermon to the children next Sunday morning at the Methodist church, and the exercises of the evening will be mostly by the young people, it being Children's Day.

The ladies of the Congregational Society held a lawn party at the residence of Geo. Bliss, on Monday evening, to which the pastor and congregation of the M. E. church were extended a cordial invitation. The attendance was not large.

The great center of attraction this week, seemed to be in the direction of the hobby horse show from Chicopee, in the rear of Washington hall. The small boys, and the large ones also, like Dick Turpin, are enjoying rides to York for five cents.

THORNDIKE.

All quiet in the corporation seems to be the order now.

"Short of water" will soon be the cry unless we have heavy rains.

W. C. Green, for the past five months superintendent, has been appointed agent of the Thorndike Co.

Quite a number of new families are moving into town, taking the vacant places of those gone elsewhere.

Mrs. H. C. Strong of Springfield is with her mother, Mrs. C. Wilson, for a visit to former scenes and friends.

The ladies' social held a very successful and full meeting at the church vestry Wednesday afternoon and evening. The receipts, which were unusually large, were appropriated in the society for current use.

Rev. W. D. Herrick of Amherst has supplied the Congregational pulpit very acceptably for the past four Sabbaths. Rev. R. M. Burr of Northbridge will supply the two next Sabbaths, as a candidate, it is understood.

Travel by railroad has fallen off since the fencing in of the new depot at Palmer, many preferring walking or driving direct to Palmer to the roundabout way by cars, and many thrilling incidents are related of cool heads being turned on arrival in Palmer by railroad of late. After a short stay there no one would wonder. Close connection with John's corner is broken off. Around the house the way now is.

WARREN.

The schools all close next week.

The teachers held their monthly meeting Tuesday evening.

"Comical Brown" will appear at the town hall Monday night.

The Methodists gave a strawberry festival Tuesday evening.

The Sons of Temperance will give a drama next Tuesday evening.

The parsonage is receiving a coat of paint which is a great improvement.

William Henderson, one of the night foremen of the Knowles pump works, fell on Monday night, dislocating his right shoulder.

A concrete cross-walk is being placed, leading from the depot to the postoffice. It is a great convenience, and will be appreciated accordingly.

Quite a number attended the "white elephant" show at Worcester, Tuesday, some of them returning to West Brookfield on the "owl", the rest of the way on the "foot train."

The graduating exercises of the high school take place Thursday evening next week, and the reception on Friday evening. All the junior graduates are invited, and a pleasant gathering is anticipated.

It is reported that the farmers in the south part of the town are intending to plow up their pastures and sow them with grass seed, the dry weather of the past two years having killed the grass roots.

Rev. Mr. Babb of West Brookfield exchanged pulpits with Rev. Mr. Forbes last Sunday morning. In the evening Rev. Mr. Forbes gave an interesting account of the meeting of the Home Missionary Association at Saratoga.

MONSON.

A needed improvement—concrete walk around Moore's block.

The assessors are busily engaged in making up the tax list for 1884.

A large force of men are at present employed on the new town hall, which is growing very rapidly.

The north village bridge will be up for repairs on Sunday, and travelers going north will do well to take the quarry road.

The building occupied by Rogers & Co., has been brightened up with a fresh coat of paint, as has also the residence of R. M. Reynolds.

Rev. Mr. Harris of Worcester preached to large and appreciative audiences at Central Hall, Sunday. He is an eloquent and practical speaker.

G. L. Keeney got a severe header while out on his bicycle last Friday. He landed on a lot of gravel, cut both hands somewhat and sprained a wrist.

The bicycle fever is raging. Michael Welsh has gone into training under the direction of Mr. Keeney, and will no doubt become an expert on the course.

A new maple floor has been laid in the store of G. L. Keeney, and we understand that the same improvement will soon be commenced in Charles Fowler's store.

That "donkey" is becoming almost as noted as the sacred elephant. A sacred donkey and appurtenances thereto belonging, have several times made quite a sensation.

A 'bus load of ladies employed in Merrick & Fay's straw works, visited the Shakers Tuesday, and report as good a time as could be expected without the usual male escorts.

J. C. Wing was thrown from his wagon by a runaway horse Wednesday morning, having an arm broken and receiving other severe injuries which will keep him confined to the house for some time.

The many friends of Charles Fowler will be glad to learn that he has so far recovered from his late serious accident as to be able to take short drives every day, and will soon be at his place of business.

The Marcus Keep Post, G. A. R., held a strawberry festival in Central Hall Tuesday evening, netting about $60, which will help defray the expenses of dedicating the new soldiers' monument on the 4th of July.

The order of exercises of the closing year of the academy will be found in another column. The examinations come on Monday next, the graduating exercises on Tuesday, and the meeting of the alumni on Wednesday.

The concert at Central Hall last Friday evening by the young people of the M. E. church was quite well attended, and netted quite a sum for the organ fund. The programme was very good, all the parts being well rendered.

Main street with its top dressing of gravel and clouds of dust, does not compare very favorably with the general thrift and beauty of the town. Why don't the people take hold of the street sprinkling question, and see if there is not public spirit enough in the village to have a sprinkler in operation in the principal streets?

At the marriage of Sadie Squier on Thursday, to William Best of Boston, the rooms were tastefully and profusely decorated with flowers and ferns, and the bridesmaids were Gertie Gage and Maud Aldrich, two young Misses whose united ages would equal seven. The presents to the newly married couple were elegant and consisted in part of: Hammered silver set, gold lined, of eight pieces, China hand painted set of 159 pieces, doz. fruit knives, silver cake basket, pie knife, sugar spoon, berry spoon, silver tea set of three pieces, silver syrup cup, pickle dish, butter knives, books, large family Bible, pictures, beautiful basket of flowers, table spoons, desert spoons, tea spoons, vases, bed spread, and a liberal amount of greenbacks, bracelet from groom to bride. The bride was elegantly attired, and the company of friends bid them God-speed with the customary amount of old shoes and the attendant rice to match. Mr. and Mrs. Best visit New York, and will make Hyde Park their future residence.

A very pleasant company attended the wedding of Genette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Burdick, on Wednesday evening, to Geo. L. Gates of Amherst, by Rev. Mr. Haumatt. The floral and other decorations were elaborate, and the host and hostess entertained the guests with liberal hospitality. The presents were useful as well as ornamental, consisting of splendid extension butter dish, from Wealthy and Sarah E. Gates; $100 in gold from Mr. and Mrs. Ashel Gates; set of spoons, from Marcia Jordan; cake basket, Frank C. Cowles; clock, George Gates; dustpan and brush, Willie Burdick; breakfast dinner and tea set, Genevive and James Burdick; painted tea set, Mrs. M. Douglass and Ralph Clifford; doz. goblets, Carrie Burdick; table linen, Mrs. A. H. Danforth; glass fruit dish, Lillie Burdick; pair vases, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Witherell; doz. napkins, Mrs. A. C. Carter; lot towels, Mrs. A. B. Merchant; pair vases, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Maguire; unique stocking bag and holders, Mrs. Giddins; pickle dish, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Bacou; card receiver and bouquet holder, Mrs. G. H. Newton; toilet set, Mr. and Mrs. George Blanchard; silver cake basket, Mrs. C. P. Fay and Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Rindge; doz. fruit knives, Nellie L. Carter; butter knife, Mrs. Annie E. Glynn; sugar spoon and butter knife, Alice H. Bidwell; card receiver and vase, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Maguire; doz. nut picks, Mrs. J. A. Snell; castor, J. Duclos and Charles Harder; hand painted plaque, Mrs. T. Stiles; lamp, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Maguire; salt and pepper boxes, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Frary. The bride and groom left at 8 o'clock followed by showers of old shoes, rice, etc., and the best of wishes from all. After visiting friends in the eastern part of the state, they will return to Amherst as their future home.

WARE AND VICINITY.

Ansel Ross so severely sprained his ankle last Friday that he has not been able to be out yet.

The game of base ball between picked nines from the north and south side of Main street was won by the former.

John B. Doan, one of our well-known citizens, aged 73 years, died suddenly of heart disease in Dr. Miner's office on Monday.

Rufus Fairbank has been confined to the house, and a part of the time to the bed, for the past two weeks with a severe attack of inflammatory rheumatism.

Services at the Unitarian church will, next Sunday, and during the warm season, be held at 7 o'clock in the evening instead of in the afternoon as heretofore.

Henry Fairbank, for nearly eighteen years in the employ of the Otis Company in the carpenter shop, has left their employ and is working at his trade outside.

The ladies of the Unitarian church gave one of their popular suppers at their vestry on Tuesday evening, which are popular indeed on account of their excellence and abundance.

A man calling himself "The King of Dentists" has been giving exhibitions of his skill in extracting teeth several evenings on the street, taking them out with apparent ease, and, by the testimony of his patients, without pain.

The buildings of the Geo. H. Gilbert Mfg. Co. were sold as advertised Thursday afternoon, Daniel Morin buying the Tauge house for $242, Arthur Kane the Hastings house for $240, P. J. Crowe the barn for $33, and Patrick Shea the old house for $11.

A lively runaway that, on Wednesday morning, when Barnet & Packard's meat cart came up by the Church street corner, running into the iron fence of the park, breaking down two lengths of it, severely cutting the horse and doing considerable damage to the cart.

We are writing this by the light of one of the "Caperson Electric Lamps" which gives double the light of the best student lamp, and a fine steady white light nearer to the electric than has been obtained from kerosene oil before. Marsh Brothers have secured the agency for Ware and Hardwick.

There was a pleasant family party at the residence of Benjamin Bond last Friday, it being his seventieth birthday. Five of the seven children were present, those who were married, with their companions. Remembrancers of this happy time were left for the comfort of their father in his declining years.

The number of deaths in Ware for May was 12. Three of these were under five years of age, one was aged 88 years, 10 months, 3 days, two aged 84, one 75 and one 73. Of this number three died of consumption, one of apoplexy, two of old age and one of old age and heart disease. In May, 1883, there were 13 deaths in town.

Children's Sunday will be observed at the Methodist church next Sunday. Sermon in the morning to the young people on "The flowers and their lessons," with singing by the children of appropriate selections. In the evening there is to be a Centennial Sunday school concert, it being the centennial of the Methodist Episcopal church in America.

The Ware Cadet Band will give their first open air concert of the season near East street school house next Tuesday evening, with the following programme:

March,	"Departure"	*Prendiville.*
Waltz,	"Fantasie"	*Zickoff.*
	"Mixed Candy"	*Osgood.*
Song and Dance,	"Pansy"	*Prendiville.*
Overture,	"Enchantment"	*Hermanne.*
Gavotte,	"Golden Hours"	*Ripley.*
Andt Waltz,	"Adeline"	*Prendiville.*
Polka,	"Bass Solo"	*Round.*
Galop,	"Happy Time"	*Prendiville.*

Benjamin F. Angell was given a pleasant surprise party at his residence on Friday evening of last week, it being his 66th birthday. About forty of his friends were present. A bountiful collation was served from material furnished by the ladies of the party. In behalf of the company Rev. B. V. Stevenson, with a few timely remarks, presented Mr. Angell with a sum of money which had been contributed as a slight token of their appreciation of true worth and merit which have for many years made themselves manifest in his daily life. Mr. Angell responded, thanking the party most heartily for the visit and their token of true friendship.

The Ware high school closed this afternoon, and there were interesting rhetorical exercises. Especially so was the reading by the reading class of "The Pied Piper of Hamelin" in concert and acting the same, which was finely done. The drama, "The War of Roses," was also presented in a very creditable manner. The graduating exercises will be held in the East Congregational church next Wednesday evening. There are but three graduates this year, who take part in the exercises as follows: "Marytyrdom for Truth," Sadie L. Newland; "Mormonism," Herbert H. Turner; "Schliemann," Annie L. Hills. In addition to these the following programme will be given by members of the school:

PART FIRST.

1. Toussaint L'Ouverture.....*Wendell Phillips*
   ALFRED P. PERKINS.
2. Lady Wentworth.....*Longfellow*
   MARY A. REILLEY.
3. The Lost Watch.....*Selection*
   GEORGE W. DENHAM.
4. The Legend of the Organ Builder.....*Selection*
   NELLIE A. DENHAM.
5. O'Connell.....*Wendell Phillips*
   HENRY N. FISHERDICK.

Music. *a* Festival Chorus.....*Meyerbeer*
b Laughing Song.....*Rool*

PART SECOND.

1. The Coronation of Inez de Castro..*Mrs. Hemans*
   MABEL CONEY.
2. Little Joe.....*Peley Arkwright*
   FLORENCE L. SAGENDORPH.
3. The White Man's Government.....*Selection*
   CHARLES H. ALLEN.
4. The Story of the Little Red Hen.....*Selection*
   MINNIE A. SIBLEY.
5. Damon and Pythias.....*William Peter*
   ADA M. WARNER.
6. The Raven.....*Edgar A. Poe*
   JONAS W. MERRIAM.

Music. Hail Smiling Morn.....*Spofforth*

An old farmer in a Connecticut town had sold a house and some land, and was having a deed drawn up transferring the property, but when the papers were almost completed he refused to proceed any further unless a provision was inserted prohibiting any woman from ever living on the premises.

Springfield, Vt., was visited by a severe rain storm Monday afternoon. The water fell in torrents, overflowed the bank of the river, and washed away houses, barns, etc., gullied the streets, and caused about $50,000 worth of damage. This is the second flood of this kind in eleven months.

Ex-United States Marshal John Hall, of Washington, Pa., was arrested on Monday on a charge of making false returns to the government, returning only $23,203 during his term of office, while the receipts of the office were $181,961.

The town of Northville, N. Y., was considerably excited last Saturday by the discovery of two large cartridges of giant powder, with the fuses almost burned, under the lockup in that place.

By an accident on the Valley road, near Hartford, Tuesday morning, the locomotive of a passenger train went down an embankment, seriously hurting the engineer and fireman.

A genuine devil-fish, with tentacles ten inches long, was captured in a river at Dellance, O., a few days ago. It has heretofore been supposed to exist only in salt water.

Some one fired three shots through a window of the court of common pleas at Baltimore last Friday, while the court was in session, but no one was hurt.

And still they come. This time it is J. R. Hall, the cashier of the Citizens' National bank at Middletown, Del., and the amount is nearly $40,000.

The steamer Stonington was run into by the steamer City of Worcester, on the sound last Friday night, but was not damaged to any extent.

NEWS MORSELS.

All the presidents since Lincoln have worn full beards.

Whalebone is now selling at the rate of $12,500 per ton.

Two more Maine towns, Dover and Foxcraft, have returned to local time.

The vapid young women of Gotham now affect colored linen collars and cuffs.

There have been 2,000,000 human bodies buried in London in the last 25 years.

London is the only large city in the world that doesn't possess a university.

The extraordinary run of 1989 points was lately made by a London billiard player.

It costs the bank of England $50,000 a year to feed its clerks during business hours.

There is danger that the prosperous young town of Greenville, Miss., will slip into the river.

Passenger elevators are still rare in Europe. A few of the principal hotels in London have them.

Gen. J. Watson Webb, the well-known soldier and journalist, died at New York Saturday evening.

European travel has decreased 15 or 20 per cent this year, but travel in the United States is on the increase.

The spruce trees of Vermont are dying from some mysterious disease, and land owners are becoming uneasy.

Geo. W. Cable has leased a pleasant homestead about ten miles from Hartford, and will pass the summer there.

Madame Geoffrin says there are three things that women throw away—their time, their money, and their health.

Charles Dudley Warner of Hartford will spend a month this summer on a horseback ride through the North Carolina mountains.

The rapid increase of summer resorts at the west is affecting the business of the eastern hotels more and more every year.

Glass is taking the place of wood for flooring in the stores of Paris. It costs more, but lasts longer and is kept clean easier.

The foundation stone of the Masonic Temple at Providence, R. I., was laid by the grand lodge of Masons of Rhode Island last Saturday.

The fourth annual report of the director of the mint shows that the production for the year was: Gold, $30,000,000; silver, $46,200,000; total, $76,200,000. This is a falling off of $3,000,000 from the production of 1882. Colorado heads the list as producing the largest amount, and California takes second place.

It is claimed that a cat which had climbed the winding stairs to the top of the Washington monument, and gone out on the staging where the workmen were, jumped to the ground, a distance of 434 feet, and alighted alive, a few days ago.

While three small boys were playing burglars and policeman at Kingstown, N. Y., on Monday, the youngest, a lad of four years, was shot and killed by a revolver which his brother was playing with.

Owing to the breaking of the cable on a ferry boat at Thompson's Falls, Mont., on Sunday, eleven men, and thirteen horses laden with provisions for the mines, were drowned.

Miss Gabrielle Greeley, a daughter of the late Horace Greeley, was thrown from a carriage by a runaway horse at Chappaqua, N. Y., last Sunday, and quite badly hurt.

A young negro and a white boy had a hunting contest at Sag Harbor, L. I., last Saturday, and the white boy came off victorious.

Many new styles in parlor and chamber furniture are now being furnished at Paine's manufactory, 48 Canal St., Boston. Send for illustrated catalogue and price list.

The finest French all-wool pantings are made into the most stylish pants at David Campbell & Co's., Cooley's hotel building, Springfield. This is a very fashionable house, the cutter being a first-class New York artist.

BOATS, BICYCLE AND HAY FEVER.

With the opening of the season of outdoor sports comes the time of trouble for the poor victims of Hay Fever. For them flowers have no odor, and the summer little or no beauty. To snuff, sneeze and wipe their weeping eyes for three or four successive months—this is their portion. There is no help in sea voyages, there is no help in high mountain air. These only lighten the pocket and leave the disease unabated. But there is a positive cure in Ely's Cream Balm. Try it. If you continue to suffer it is because you neglect a remedy as sure as it is cheap and pleasant. 2w10

The Best is the Cheapest.

This is positively true in regard to Belding Bros. & Co.'s superior Pure Thread Knitting Silk. The common spun silk costs a trifle less, but after knitting soon looks dull and rough, like Saxony yarn. Thread silk is smooth, strong and lustrous. It is a real pleasure to knit and wear it. Mrs. L. S. Carpenter invites inspection by practical knitters and all others to a complete assortment of the above silk. 4w10

O. P. Allen and O. J. Winslow guarrantee positive relief for any cough, cold, croup, or lung complaint by using Acker's English Remedy, or will refund the money. cow ly 52

UNNECESSARY SUFFERING.—Why need I suffer from billiousness, liver complaint, malaria, torpor of the bowels, etc? Because I have never used Rice & Co's Eclectic Pills, which are purely vegetable, gelatine coated, and cause no griping pains, (cathartic and cholagogue.) Price, 25 cents. For sale by GEO. L. HITCHCOCK, Palmer. 7

Ask O. P. Allen and O. J. Winslow about Acker's Blood Elixer, the only preparation guaranteed to cleanse the blood and remove all chronic diseases cow ly 52

RECIPE FOR THE TROUBLED MIND.—The thought often arises, and the question asked "What shall I do?" I have tried all of the doctors, and patent medicines, and money is gone, and still no better. Recipe—Go to your druggist, and get a bottle of Rice & Co's Eclectic Liniment and a box of Eclectic Pills—for our motto is, no cure, no pay. For sale at C. E. BLOOD'S Drug Store, Ware. 7

"Rough on Rats" clears out Rats, Mice: 15c.

"Rough on Corns," for Corns, Bunions; 15c.

Thin people. "Wells' Health Renewer" restores health and vigor, cures Dyspepsia, &c. $1.

"Rough on Toothache," instant relief; 15c.

Ladies who would retain freshness and vivacity don't fail to try "Well's Health Renewer."

"Buchu-paiba," great kidney and urinary cure.

Flies, roaches, ants, bed-bugs, rats, mice, cleared out by "Rough on Rats." 15c.

"Rough on Coughs," troches, 15c.; liquid, 25c.

For children, slow in development, puny and delicate, use "Wells' Health Renewer."

"Rough on Dentist" Tooth Powder. Try it. 15c.

Nervous Weakness, Dyspepsia, Sexual Debility cured by "Wells' Health Renewer." $1.

Mother Swan's Worm Syrup, for feverishness, worms, constipation; tasteless. 25c.

Stinging, irritation, all Kidney and Urinary complaints cured by "Buchu-paiba." $1.

Night sweats, fever, chills, malaria, dyspepsia, cured by "Wells' Health Renewer."

My husband (writes a lady) is three times the man since using "Wells' Health Renewer."

If you are failing, broken, worn out and nervous, use Wells' Health Renewer." $1.

Prevalence of Kidney complaint in America; "Buchu-paiba" is a quick, complete cure. $1. cowly11

O. P. Allen and O. J. Winslow wish it known that they guarantee Acker's Dyspepsia Tablets to be the best remedy for indigestion ever made, they always relieve headache. cow ly 52

FORMULÆ FOR RICE & CO'S ECLECTIC PILLS.—May apple, extract dandelion, rhubarb, ext aloes and colocynth comp, and oil anise. Price 25 cents. Gelatine coated. Liver and malarial disease cannot exist where these pills are taken. No griping. Price 25 cents. For sale by G. L. KEENEY, Druggist and Stationer, Monson. 7

Oh, how beautiful it makes the complexion! For eruptions, Lady Camella's, Secret of Beauty is superior to soap or liniments. Price 50 cents. At Allen's Pharmacy. (3) 4w37

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The greatest medical wonder of the world. Warranted to speedily cure Burns, Bruises, Cuts, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Cancers, Piles Chilblains, Corns, Tetter, Chapped Hands, and all skin eruptions, guaranteed to cure in every instance or money refunded. 25 cents per box. For sale by G. L. Hitchcock. 1y32

A fact: That Fay's Shoe Store has the largest stock of fine and medium boots and shoes in Springfield. 8w2

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Palmer, Mass., June 12, 1884. 11tf

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go; the spring-time, with its flowers
and rain, the autumn with its fruit
and grain, the winter with its chilling
blast, when with snow and ice the skies
are overcast. In summer-time beneath my
shade have children often played; and, oh,
how oft, beneath my boughs have lovers re-
newed their plighted vows, and many a time
the old and feeble have sought my shade to
smoke their pipes or ply the needle; and
thus it's been, with smiles and tears I have
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The Children We Keep.

The children kept coming one by one,
'Till the boys were five and the girls were three,
And the big brown house was alive with fun,
From the basement floor to the old roof tree.
Like garden flowers the little ones grew,
Nurtured and trained with tenderest care;
Warmed by love's sunshine, bathed in its dew,
They bloomed into beauty like roses rare.

But one of the boys grew weary one day,
And leaning his head on his mother's breast,
He said: "I am tired and cannot play;
Let me sit awhile on your knee and rest."
She cradled him close in her fond embrace,
She hushed him to sleep with her sweetest song,
And rapturous love still lighted his face
When his spirit had joined the heavenly throng.

Then the eldest girl, with her thoughtful eyes,
Who stood where the "brook and river meet,"
Slide softly away into Paradise
Ere "the river" had reached her slender feet.
While the father's eyes on the graves were bent
The mother looked upward beyond the skies;
"Our treasures," she whispered, "were only lent;
Our darlings were angels in earth's disguise."

The years flew by, and the children began
With longing to think of the world outside;
And as each in his turn became a man,
The boys proudly went from the father's side.
The girls were women so gentle and fair
That lovers were speedy to woo and win;
And, with orange blooms in their bridled hair,
The old home they left, new homes to begin.

So one by one the children have gone—
The boys were five and the girls were three:
And the big brown house is gloomy and lone,
With but two old folks for its company.
They talk to each other about the past,
As they sit together at eventide,
And say: "All the children we keep at last
Are the boy and girl who in childhood died."

—*Mrs. E. V. Wilson.*

A COMMERCIAL EPISODE.

A sound of revelry, but not of night. The clock has just struck twelve, and the sun is shining vertically upon the pretentious roof that houses Mr. Humphrey Davison and family. Beneath that roof are now complete the extensive preparations for the marriage ceremony that is to make the only daughter of the house Mrs. Thomas Winfield.

The parlor is full of guests; the perfume of an elaborate floral decoration pervades everything; from certain quarters of the establishment proceed the savory odors of a spread feast; for the wedding is to be an event.

Up stairs, in the downy environment of her own apartment, stands the pivot of the occasion in bridal array. The toilet is a marvel in its way; a frail embodiment of monumental expense and labor, as such things are apt to be, but petite Miss Alice is so beautiful in it that only a churl could bewail either expense or labor in the presence of such a result.

She is surrounded by a bevy of admiring friends of the same sex, who chatter incessantly, and manifest their anxious interest by sundry little touches here and there upon veil or drapery, for the groom has not yet arrived.

Presently it is a quarter past the hour and he has not come yet, but no account is taken of this circumstance, for who ever heard of a wedding being celebrated with anything like precision in regard to time?

Uncle Peyton pauses at the door to remark in jocular vein that "this seems to be one of the occasions when we linger shivering on the brink and fear to launch away," and to deliver himself of numerous malign prophecies that are flatly contradicted by a look of affectionate interest and unqualified admiration in his eyes.

Another quarter slips away. It is now half-past twelve and still the delinquent does not appear. Up the broad stairway comes the murmur of impatient expectancy, and the face under the filmy white veil wears a shade of vexation.

When it is nearly one o'clock Mr. Davison comes to the door and softly calls his wife. In the hall outside they hold a consultation, and Alice, with alert eyes upon their faces, divines that something is wrong. In a moment she has separated the crowd about her like an arrow, and is before them demanding the latest intelligence, whatever it may be.

"It is postponed, my dear," says her mother, choking.

"That's it, my dear—postponed," echoes her father, as he stands absently twirling a crumpled note around his finger.

Alice sees the note, and before he can prevent her, has taken it. She opens it with breathless eagerness. It is soon read, and runs thus:

I can't do it, uncle—not for twice your fortune. I have seen her, and I wonder you could ever ask it of me. Do as you please with the money. I'm off. Your affectionate nephew, T. W.

It is malicious, inhuman, crushing. Why did he wait until this moment? She turns back to the room with a white face, throws herself upon the lounge in reckless disregard of flowers and perishable confections, and lies there with her face buried in the pillow in an agony of humiliation.

By and by the situation is communicated to the assembled friends, who take leave, marveling greatly, and go home to speculate for days with greater or less accuracy upon all that has not been given them to know.

Where a few hours ago there was laughter, congratulation and anticipation, all is now sorrow, indignation, resentment; there is a mockery in the flowers scattered everywhere, and bitter, intolerable remembrance in the odor of baked meats.

The afternoon passes, and still Alice lies with her face among the pillows, thinking how it must all come out finally; how everybody will know about that brutal note, and how they will pity her. She wishes she might die now, so that the time would never come for her to lift up her head and face the world, with its knowledge of this dreadful affair, and its soul-sickening commiseration.

One thought is always uppermost; to fly from the scene of her humiliation and officious sympathy of her friends. Filial ties, luxurious surroundings, the perils and hardships of flight, every consideration whatsoever dwindles into invisibility in the presence of this great indignation.

Her mother comes and sits by her, and after several hours of remonstrance and persuasion induces her to go to bed, but when she comes in the morning, hoping to find her somewhat soothed, she finds only an empty room and hasty note.

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It is 7 a. m., and the mammoth retail dry goods house of Gray & Gordon begins to show signs of life without and within. For the last half-hour a continuous stream of salesmen, shop-girls and cash-boys have been pouring into the great building like so many swallows into the chimney. Shades are raised, covers taken off, and simultaneously in every part of the house begins a vigorous dusting and putting to rights.

The new cashier, a young man with blue eyes and a pleasant manner, who has been three weeks in the establishment, comes in and goes behind the desk.

As he does so, he notices that there is a new girl at the glove counter just opposite. Only her head is visible above the pile of boxes she is dusting. It is crowned with red-gold hair, and the face is very beautiful in spite of the hopeless depression it expresses.

Presently the business of the day begins. Whenever there comes a pause in his monotonous labor of stamping bills and making change, and he looks out over the green wire net-work that incloses his desk, his eyes rest naturally upon the blonde head and delicate figure, because they are directly in front of him, and in the course of the day he learns without making any inquiries that she is No. 47.

As for the girl herself, she is thinking of nothing but that terrible day, and wondering whether she will live through it. Her face is flushed, her eyes glistening and feverish, the joint result of bad ventilation and bewildering transactions.

To her the first day behind the counter seems a shoreless eternity. She can scarcely remember when it began, and has almost lost faith in its possible ending. Two hours of this new and trying ordeal are enough to make her unutterably weary; before the day is half over she is aching miserably in every limb and joint.

After this, standing is the purest agony. All day long the feminine division of humanity bears down upon them *en masse*. The proprietors, wedded to quick sales and the largest possible profit, are positively ubiquitous in their efforts to enforce the strictest attention to duty; obsequious salesmen, with an eye to premiums and percentage, step briskly about; cash-boys scurry hither and thither, and errand-boys find no rest for the soles of their feet. But it does end at last. The customers are gone; the curtains are up, the counters are again shrouded in white canvas, making the long aisles look like so many wards in a hospital, and those human swallows begin to pour out of their great chimney.

The cashier on his way to the cloak-room sees No. 47 crouching on the edge behind her counter. She is thinking of the dark, long streets that lie before her, and of the aching feet that protest against further service.

When he comes back she is still there. He stops, and says kindly:

"If you don't hurry out, they will lock the doors. Everybody else is gone now."

"How will I ever get home?" she moans, rising wearily, her eyes still red from crying.

"I'll go with you if you are afraid. Is it far?"

"Oh, yes, it's far, and I am so tired."

He is the only person who has spoken to her to-day, excepting the customers she has waited upon. He has such a graceful, easy way, that by the time he has helped her to put on her cloak he seems like an old acquaintance. They hurry out together, and are just in time, for the doors close behind them with a bang, and the bolts are drawn.

It happens that their ways lie in the same direction, that they are domiciled in two dreary boarding houses not more than half a square apart, and after this they go home together every evening, and speedily come to be very good friends indeed.

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The season known to the retail traffic as "busy" waxes and wanes. Summer comes, and August, sweltering, intolerable, settles upon the deserted town. The houses are like ovens, the streets like blast furnaces, and everything that lies behind the migratory population is undergoing a process of cremation.

The proprietors have fled the heat, one salesman to a department is found to be sufficient, and the rest are away spending their summer vacation. Those who remain behind have but little to do, for there are hours together there is not a penny's worth sold.

It happens that "47" is reigning alone in the glove department, and that she is a refreshing object for contemplation this sultry afternoon in her dress of blue organdy, with pale ribbons fluttering at throat and waist.

Above her head her wares are most effectively displayed in a complete canopy of long-wristed gloves in every conceivable color and shade of color, and, there being nothing else to do, she sits upon the ledge below the shelving and wields a monster palm-leaf.

When there is nothing selling there is no change to be made, and the cashier steps out of his narrow, stifling inclosure and wanders in search of a breeze. The long lace mits that fringe the canopy over the glove counter are stirred as if by a zephyr, and the airy freshness of "47" is attractive. He goes behind the counter and sits down upon the ledge.

"You look awfully gloomy to-day. What is the matter?' she asks.

"Well, I have reason to look gloomy. I have made an unpleasant discovery; or, perhaps I should say, I have been unpleasantly discovered."

"Tell me about it."

"Oh, it's a long story," he says, more than half persuaded.

"This is a very long afternoon."

"Well, I have a very rich and very crochety old uncle, and about seven months ago I received a letter from him telling me that if I would come and take charge of his business and marry a girl he had picked out for me, he would leave me his fortune. He said that the girl was pretty, and I knew that the fortune was ample, and as I was not getting on any too well where I was, you will infer that I did not hesitate long before accepting the proposition.

"It was all arranged with the girl, who seemed to be quite fascinated with the romance of the affair, and I started for the town in which she and my uncle lived. But on the way I got to thinking about it, and it struck me that I would like to see her at least once before the die was cast, so when I reached town I hunted up a cousin of mine who knew her and told him that he must arrange for me to call on her incognito. He assented very readily, and, as I only reached there the day before the wedding was to take place, we called the night of my arrival. She came in directly and I was introduced as Mr. Faulkner.

"And such a girl! The moment I laid eyes on her I grew rigid with indignation to think that my uncle had imposed on me in such a way. He had led me to believe she was everything a man could want in a wife. I found her painted like an Indian, dressed in horrid taste, talking at the top of her voice, and altogether the most ill-bred creature I had ever seen.

"I could not stand it, so I wrote a note to my uncle, left the town that night, and have never been back since.

"I learned to-day for the first time that the girl I saw was not the one I was to have married, but a friend of my cousin's, whom he had taken into his confidence, and that her horrid curls and vulgarity were assumed for the occasion, all a part of Dick's little pleasantry; and my financee, who Dick says is the prettiest woman he ever saw, was so cut up by my brutal behavior and the note I left my uncle that she ran away, and for a long time they thought she had drowned herself.

"Of course there was a big sensation, and everybody denounced me. Dick, a cowardly knave, hadn't the nerve to tell the truth about it and acknowledge his part in the affair, but the girl who abetted his fiendish deception went straight to my uncle and told him everything as soon as she heard I was gone.

"When he saw how it was he swore that we both should be found, dead or alive, and if alive, the marriage should be consummated. They started detectives after us and advertised us everywhere, and at last they've traced her to this very town. Think of it! Dick says they are sure she is here, and he was here looking for her when he accidently stumbled upon me. They'll find her, of course; it is only a question of a few hours, and then I must be dragged up like a school-boy that has been playing hookey, and married to a wife of some other man's choice, or leave here between two days and give up a good position."

He turns toward her, but she manages the palm-leaf so that he did not see her face, and asks presently, in a hesitating way:

"But if she is as pretty as they say she is, and—you would get the money besides, why do you object?"

"Because I am in love with somebody else, and I am done with matrimonial negotiations by proxy. I will attend to my own love affairs hereafter."

He proceeded to carry out this resolution by insinuating an arm between the shelving and the slight figure that is resting against it.

"I've been in love with somebody else ever since I found her crying in a corner not a thousand miles from here, and if she can only say the same of me, I'll whistle the fortune down the wind and defy all detectives in christendom."

He draws his arm a little closer about the yielding figure, and, screened from view by the swaying fringe of gloves, he feels safe in bringing the other arm into position, so forming a complete circuit. The accommodating palm-leaf is quite large enough to conceal two heads, and a sound like a half-audible osculation issues from behind it.

A long, low whistle breaks the silence. Proceedings are immediately adjourned, and haunted by visions of presuming and prying cash-boys, they both start up and confront—Dick.

"Have you found her?" asks Dick, leaning heavily upon the counter, as he wiped the moisture from his brow.

"Miss Davison, allow me to introduce my cousin, Tom Winfield; Tom, Miss Alice Davison. The introduction seems to be a little subsequent, but we have done the best we could."

So another wedding feast was spread beneath the hospitable roof of Mr. Humphrey Davison, and this time to some purpose; for a marriage was solemnized, at which ceremony Dick, his sins forgiven, officiated as best man, and his perfidious accomplice, minus paint, curls, and all objectionable features, made a charming bridesmaid.

A Mormon and his family were in Chicago to see the convention. This is the way they are registered at the hotel:

John Terhune,	Salt Lake City.
Mrs. John Terhune,	do.
do.	do.
do.	do.
do.	do.
do.	do.
Miss Kate Terhune,	do.
Miss Amanda Terhune,	do.
Master James Terhune,	do.
Master Willie Terhune,	do.
Master Joe Smith Terhune,	do.
Mrs. John Terhune,	do.

A poet asks: "Were you ever sick at heart?" Were we! Well, you can just come down to the house some night when the trombone man living next door is feeling well, and he is out in his backyard trying to shoot birds with his instrument.—*Yonkers Statesman.*

THE QUININE HABIT.

Said a distinguished medical practioner, who has grown gray in his profession, speaking of the report that the use of quinine as a stimulant is becoming a very common habit among men of business and ladies in society:

"Yes, it is unquestionably true that the great increase in the sales of quinine during the last five years by retail druggists is very largely referable to what may be styled the quinine habit; and it is fully as frequent among women in society as it is with men whose nerves are over-taxed by hard work. And I may say to you, though many will dispute it, that of the two the quinine habit is more rapid in its ravages when once thoroughly established, more difficult to break, and more dangerous in every respect than the habitual use of opium or its preparations. Few, save practicing physicians, are aware of the tremendous potency of this drug in its effects upon the nervous system. As you know, depending upon the quantity taken, quinine possesses four very distinct properties—being, in very small doses, tonic and nervine; in moderate doses, directly stimulant; in large doses, sedative and soporific; and in very large doses, intoxicating—producing a peculiar species of drunkenness similar in its features to masked epilepsy, in which, while performing customary actions and talking with the coherence of a person in full possession of his senses, the victim is really perfectly unconscious of what he is doing and totally irresponsible. There is no question that the regular use of the drug as a stimulant is rapidly increasing among the higher classes, and the fact is one of the most lamentable that has come under my notice for years. The way a man gets into it in the first place is very simple. He feels a little unstrung and out of tune, perhaps, and so consults the family physician, who suggests a few doses of quinine. In a day or two he feels singularly improved; his brain is clever and bright; his physical energies seem to have renewed their youth. Elated with the result, whenever he feels downspirited or out of sorts, he resorts, of course, to the remedy that has once served his purpose so well; and very soon has acquired the habit of using the drug in regular daily doses. In three months, so insidious are its effects, the quinine habit is fully established, and the probability is that the man (or woman, as the case may be) has not five years to live. Worse still, so peculiar are the effects of the salt on the nervous system, there is a strong probability that the victim will die of suicide; for it is a singular fact that no toxic in the materia medica acts so directly and rapidly to produce suicidal predisposition and impulse. Morphia has no such effect, deplorable as its ravages are. The morphia habit generally transforms the most truthful man or woman into the most inveterate liar in the course of two or three years—a romancer of the wildest type. On the other hand, while quinine produces no perceptible effect on the veracity, it leads to a nervous irritability that is intolerable alike to its victim and his associates, and frequently ends in the sudden development of suicidal mania. Again, a patient may be reduced to the verge of the grave by morphia, and still recover a remnant of physical and nervous energy when the drug has been eliminated from the system; but when once the system gives way under the cumulative influence of quinine the breakdown is irrevocable. In the course of an experience embracing thirty-five cases of the quinine habit in its later stages, during the last two years, I have never seen a case in which the victim was good for anything after the habit was broken, and, as a rule, the patient collapses and dies if the withdrawal of the stimulant is persevered in. Knowing these facts, I cannot tell you how I dread to prescribe quinine to men a little fagged out with overwork, and I think it is time that medical practitioners began to be as cautious with it as they are with morphia."—*N. Y. Commercial Advertiser.*

THE SAFEST PLACE IN THE CARS.

A party of merchant travelers in a railway train were talking over their traveling experience and the danger of accidents, and finally the question arose as to the safest part of the car. Failing to settle the question among themselves, they called upon the conductor and one of them said to him: "Conductor, we have been discussing the matter of the safest part of the car, and want to know your opinion." "Want to know the safest, eh?" replied the conductor. "Yes, that's it." "Well," replied the conductor, borrowing a chew of tobacco and looking disappointed because he didn't get a cigar, "I've been on the road for fifteen years, and I have been turned over embankments, busted up in tunnels, dumped off bridges, telescoped in collisions, blown off the track by cyclones, run into open switches and had other pleasant divertisements of kindred nature, and I should say, gentlemen, the safest part of the car was that part which happened to be in the shop for repairs at the time of the accident."

A blundering Bridgeport (Ct.) clerk sent a ham to the wrong house. The woman who took it doesn't look gift horses in the mouth. In ten minutes that ham was boiling, and by the time the investigation reached her she was ready to say to the clerk: "Sure ye brought the ham to me. Why shud I ax ye who it belonged to? I biled it and we have it eat. Get the ham if ye can."

"I'se looked eromn' ober dis lan' a heep," says uncle Opie Reed, "an' if I'se eber found any use fur de grasshopper I doan know it; but den I doan know dat de grasshopper hab eber foun' any use fur me."

"I never shall invite her to visit me again," said an English girl; "she shut herself up in her own room the whole morning while she was with us, and copied all my towels."

Ills We Have Not.

When weariness with life my spirit fills,
When deep disgust consumes me with my lot,
I draw some store of comfort from the ills
I haven't got.

The common woes of life are bad enough,
Misfortune falls as easy as the dew,
And still for every morning steak that's tough,
There might be two.

This one is sick; his wayward fate cries out
Against the leech, the calomel, the bed,
O, inconsiderate person, cease to pout—
You might be dead!

And this one hath the mitten; he has wooed:
Vainly, alack, his wooing it has sped.
Well, e'en in this there's comfort, rightly viewed,
He might be wed!

—*June Manhattan.*

POOR BILLY.

"Please, Mr. Conductor, I ain't got no money, but I want to get home quick, for Billy's hurted very bad."

The speaker was a shabbily attired little girl, apparently about nine years of age, who had just entered a car near Dover street, carrying in her arms, wrapped in a faded shawl, what appeared to be a baby.

"I knows your car, mister," she continued, "it goes close to my street; an' I'll get the money from father an' pay you."

"All right, sis," said the conductor, kindly; "how did the baby get hurt?"

"It ain't a baby," she answered, "it's my brother Patsey's dog. He was run over by a herdic. Patsey's crippled, an' thinks everythin' er Billy."

She had hardly ceased speaking when there was a convulsive movement in the shawl, followed by a subdued yelp; then all was still. Half opening the bundle, the little girl glanced into it.

"Oh, dear, dear!" she cried, bursting into tears, "what shall I do? Billy's dead."

So saying, she threw back the shawl, and exposed to view the bruised and battered remains of a small mongrel terrier, that looked, in truth, as much like a piece of ragged door-mat as anything.

"Oh! dear, dear," she repeated, again and again, between her sobs. "what shall I do?"

There was not a dry eye in the car as a tall, benevolent-looking gentleman of the Father Taylor stamp arose, took off his hat and without saying a word, passed it round. The coin showered into it—everyone gave something—and the amount materially increased by the gentleman himself, poured into the little girl's lap.

"There," said the gentleman, "don't cry. That will buy another dog for your brother, and some playthings for him, too."

Her face brightened somewhat, as she sobbed: "Thank you kindly, sir," but she looked anything but happy as she left the car, near Northampton street, carrying in her arms, as one would carry a baby, the remains of poor Billy.

HOW ADVERTISING WORKS.

Colonel Pierce, of the Chicago *News*, gave, in the course of a recent address to the editors of Indiana, some thoughts with reference to advertising that are well worth remembering. After premising that a man never realizes the full benefits of advertising until he has placed the matter before the people fifty or a hundred times, the Colonel presents this valuable table, which, however, is simply an elaboration of the one generally credited to Stephen Girard:

The first time a man sees an advertisement he does not see it.

The second time he does not notice it.

The third time he is dimly conscious of it.

The fourth time he faintly remembers something of the kind before.

The fifth time he half reads it.

The sixth time he turns his nose up to it.

The seventh time he throws his paper down impatiently.

The eighth time he ejaculates: "There's that confounded thing again."

The ninth time he wonders if there is anything in it.

The tenth time he thinks it might possibly suit somebody else's case.

The eleventh time he thinks he will ask his neighbor if he has tried it or knows anything about it.

The twelfth time he wonders if the advertiser can make it pay.

The thirteenth time he rather thinks it must be a good thing.

The fourteenth time he happens to think it is just what he wanted.

The fifteenth time he for a long time resolves to try it as soon as he can afford it.

The sixteenth time he examines the address carefully, and makes a memorandum of it.

The seventeenth time he is tantalized to think he is hardly able to afford it.

The eighteenth time he sees painfully how much he is in need of that particular thing.

The nineteenth time he counts his money to see how much he would have left if he bought it.

The twentieth time he rushes frantically forth and buys it.

The state prison of Arizona is situated at Yuma. The brakeman of a train which arrived there the other day, thought it would be funny to call out, "Yuma! Change clothes; ten years for refreshments." But the passengers took it as a personal insult and threatened to lynch him.

Do you think of one falsity as harmless, and another as slight, and another as unintended? Cast them all aside; they may be light and accidental, but they are ugly soot from the smoke of the pit for all that.—*Ruskin.*

The fact that no love-making is complete without a little ice cream, is probably why courting is sometimes alluded to as spooning.—*Phila. Chronicle.*

Better be in shame now than at the day of judgment.—*Mohammed.*

THE LAW OF THE ROAD.

Turn to the right:—The most important law of the road is, that when two persons in vehicles coming from opposite directions are about to meet, each shall reasonably bear to the right of the middle or traveled portion of the road, so that they can pass each other without interference. A traveler is not required to keep on the right side of the road all the time; he can drive where he pleases or where the going is best, so long as he turns to the right when he meets another vehicle. If the middle and usually traveled portion of the road is very muddy, and for this or any other reason persons are traveling along the side of the road, then the one who is on the left side of the road is duty bound to turn out. In Massachusetts it was held that when the part of the road which is wrought for traveling is hidden by snow, and a path is beaten and traveled on the side of the wrought path, persons meeting on such side path are each required to drive their vehicles to the right of the middle of it. It should, however, be remembered that this law of the road is not an absolute and inflexible one. Circumstances may arise which would justify a deviation from it, and when they do arise, a traveler cannot stick blindly to the law, and then claim damages if he is injured. In the crowded streets of a metropolis drivers are required to exercise great care, and when this high degree of care dictates a departure from this law of the road, then it is not only justifiable, but a failure to observe it might cut off one's right to recover damages if he is injured. This turning to the right is just the opposite of that in England, which requires all drivers to turn to the left. The rule of turning in England is based on long-honored custom; our rule is established by statute in the several states of the Union.

Foot passengers:—All persons have the same right to walk in the highway that they have to drive there, and they have the same right to walk in the middle of the street that they have to walk on the foot-paths at the side. When one is walking in the wagon track, he must observe greater care to avoid collision with vehicles, but the fact of his being there is not of itself negligence. It is his duty to turn out for teams, especially if heavily laden, but teamsters have no right to run over him simply because he happens to be in the way. They would be liable for the injury if they did. Foot passengers have the undoubted right to cross the street at any time and place, and persons driving along it must use due care not to run into them, and must hold up to let them get by. The foot passenger must also exercise due care to avoid injury, for if he does not, he can recover no damages if injured. If he sees a team coming at a rapid rate he is not justified in attempting to cross ahead of it, or should he attempt crossing a crowded thoroughfare without first looking carefully both ways. —*H. A. Haigh, in American Agriculturist.*

HIS EVENINGS.

Joseph Clark was as fine looking and healthy a lad as ever left the country to go into a city warehouse. His cheeks were red with health, his arm strong and his step quick. His master liked his looks, and said: "That boy will get on."

He had been a clerk about six months when Mr. Abott observed a change in Joseph. His cheek grew pale, his eyes hollow and he always seemed sleepy. Mr. Abott said nothing for a while. At length, finding Joseph alone in the counting house one day, he asked him if he were well.

"Pretty well, sir," answered Joseph.

"You have looked sickly of late," said Mr. Abott.

"I have the headache sometimes, sir," the young man replied.

"What gives you the headache?" asked the merchant.

"I do not know, sir."

"Do you go to bed in good time?"

Joseph blushed. "As early as most of the young men, sir," he said.

"And how do you spend your evenings, Joseph?"

"Oh, sir, not as my pious mother would approve," answered the young man, tears standing in his eyes.

"Joseph," said the old merchant, "your character and all your future usefulness and prosperity depend upon the way you pass your evenings. Take my word for it, it is a young man's evenings that make him or break him."

It is noteworthy now-a-days to see in the daily papers—the most sensible as well as the sensational—tabular reports, often reaching to a full column, of base ball playings. The fall of an empire or dynasty would command less space. All is symptomatic of a popular demand, else by figures and data as concerns persons, so minute and circumstantial a record would not be daily given, and that from all parts of the country. This is suggestive and humiliating in the premises. Is it not in order to raise the question: How much has this all-absorbing sport to do with promoting the general weal, the health, not to say the morals, of the people at large? Does not the whole thing threaten demoralization, waste, and loss rather than any fancied gain?—*Watchman.*

"Is there a dude club in this city?" asked a stranger, entering the editorial room. "There is," returned the editor, and he produced a toothpick from his pocket and laid it on the roll-top desk; "that's it, and the first dude that shows his head in this office will be brained with it." With a deep sigh the stranger turned and disappeared. —*Somerville Journal.*

Dr. Wilson, an English physician, has been counting the hairs of a man's head. On a square inch of scalp he found 1066 hairs, and from measurements estimates that the entire head must have 127,820. He thinks that some heads might have 150,000 hairs.

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 20, 1884.

BISHOP SIMPSON, the talented Methodist clergyman and eloquent orator, died at Philadelphia, Wednesday, at the age of 74.

A STATUE of William A. Buckingham, Connecticut's noble war governor, was unveiled in the west corridor of the state house at Hartford, Wednesday, with a large military display and a big crowd of visitors.

THE district of Columbia has an old unrepealed law, that any one using profane language shall be branded on the tongue with a hot iron. It is supposed to have fallen into disuse because of the impossibility of finding enough competent persons to do the necessary branding.

FATHER CUMMINS, the Milford priest who for three years past has forbidden the Grand Army post to enter the Catholic cemetery for the purpose of decorating soldiers' graves, now threatens a suit for trespass. The reverend gentleman seems emphatically more nice than wise.

GEN. BUTLER has accepted the Greenback nomination for the presidency in a characteristic letter, wherein he sets up the Greenback idol as the cure for all ills, and attacks the national banking system. Now if the General could only write one more letter, accepting the Democratic nomination for the same office, his cup of happiness would be full; but this joy will not be his—not this time.

GOVERNOR CLEVELAND will, under the unit rule, receive the full vote of the New York delegation in the Democratic national convention, a clear majority of the delegates chosen at Saratoga, Wednesday, being favorable to his nomination. There was considerable trading, and it is said that Flower's adhesion to Cleveland was won only by the promise of a place in the cabinet, or the United States senatorship. Michigan and Colorado Democrats are reported favorable to Cleveland, also.

THE star route investigation at Washington promises to develop some interesting facts. It is reported on good authority that Attorney General Brewster sent for Judge Wylie when Kellogg was on trial, and told him that Kellogg was guilty; that he had confessed to him on his knees and begged for mercy, but that he must be convicted. The judge was naturally very angry at this attempted coercion, and was glad of the chance to throw out the case. If this story be true, President Arthur will in all probability find it advisable to have a new attorney general very soon.

CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS, JR., was on Wednesday elected president of the Union Pacific Railroad, in place of Sidney Dillon, who resigns after ten years' service. The directors voted to pass the July dividend, and it it is probable that no dividends will be paid for some time, the funds being used to meet the road's obligations to the government, and in strengthening its condition. The road has for some time paid seven per cent dividends, and with judicious management will doubtless become a fair paying property again in due time, although its halcyon monopoly days have passed away.

THE Democrats of the 12th district held another convention at Chester, Tuesday, for the choice of delegates to the national convention. The "short hairs" got control of the first convention, held last month, and put things through with a whoop, regardless of rules, and casting more ballots than there were delegates. This time the "blue beards" came out and elected Geo. H. Bleloch of Springfield and Prof. Arthur L. Perry of Willamstown as delegates to Chicago. Springfield, Pittsfield and a few other towns sent no delegates to this convention, and Callanan and Learned, the Chicago delegates chosen at the former convention, will make a strong fight for admission to the national convention, but will probably be shut out, if fairness governs.

THIS, THAT, AND THE OTHER.

This kind of weather makes business booming for the laundries.

"How are the mighty fallen?" A good majority of 'em on a banana skin.

Now the doctor smileth unto himself and layeth in a new stock of remedies, for he knoweth that the innocent looking cucumber and festive green apple will soon be on hand.

Now is the season when the small boy creeps home about supper time with both shoes covered with mud, a hard knot tied in his shirt sleeve and a suspicious dampness about his hair, and explains that he ducked his head under the pump to keep cool.

The young man who gets his hair cut short labors under a disadvantage arising from the fact that although his ears may be large and stand out prominently enough, he is unable to flap them enough to scare the flies off the top of his head in church.

There are some men who are habitual growlers; they grumble and complain at everything, and most of all because they have to pay $1.75 or $2 a year for their local paper. They come into the office with a long face and a story of dull times, tight money, etc., complain that the "paper is a little thing anyway," "can read it all through in ten minutes," "all advertisements, not much reading matter in it," "can get a city weekly for a dollar a year," "have taken it ever since it was started," etc. These are their pleas, and they waste more time trying to get their subscription 25 cents off price than it would take to go out and earn that amount, and not work very hard either. But they always "take it one more year." They know they wouldn't go without it for double its cost, for in no other way could they get the news of their own and the surrounding towns in such detail, and if it fails to reach them promptly on time they are as uneasy as a fish out of water until it does arrive. We wonder if any of our exchanges run across this class of humanity, and venture to say that there isn't a weekly office in the state but meets with just such every week in the year.

John P. Kennedy, a worthless fellow of New London, Ct., brutally murdered his wife Monday night by crushing her head with an ax. Kennedy had been dissipating for some time.

CAMPAIGN CRUMBS.

The Boston *Pilot* says that Governor Cleveland cannot beat Blaine.

The Independents propose to play the part of a faithful mother, and give the Republican party a good spanking for its waywardness.

Oliver Johnson, the veteran abolitionist, accepts Blaine, not because he loves him, but because he likes the Democratic party still less.

Gen. Logan has been visiting Mr. Blaine this week, and the two candidates have made several public speeches before enthusiastic audiences.

Congressman Finerty's paper, the Chicago *Citizen*, has come out for Blaine and Logan. The paper is said to be a power in the West and Northwest.

There was a conference of Independents at New York Tuesday evening, presided over by Geo. W. Curtis. Resolutions were adopted opposing Blaine and Logan.

The Republicans of Washington, D. C., had as an immense ratification meeting last evening, with speeches by Gen. Sherman, Senator Frye, Fred Douglass and others.

The meeting of anti-Blaine Republicans at Boston last Friday was a large and influential gathering. It seems strange to read of staunch Republicans like Henry L. Pierce being prominent in such a gathering, and it is a little ominious to find in the list of names those of Martin Brimmer, Col. T. W. Higginson, Col. Codman, President Eliot, James Freeman Clarke, and others equally prominent. We give extracts below from one or two of the addresses. A committe of 100 will have charge of the campaign in this state, and a convention will be called about August 1.

In building the Republican platform at Chicago only one omission was made. The most important industry of the country at the present time was overlooked. The platform doesn't contain a base ball plank—though probably the protection clause covers the game.—*Norristown Herald.*

Grover Cleveland is a bachelor. Tilden is a bachelor. Buchanan did not marry. The latter was the last of the Democratic presidents. Strange that the Democratic party should seek men as leaders who never had sense enough or courage enough to marry a woman. But so it is.—*Murat Halstead.*

Cleveland is deservedly a weak candidate among Democrats, because he has followed his own selfish purpose by undertaking to rule without regard to the party which made him governor; and all the Republican kickers in the world could not make up for the Democratic votes he might lose if he were the candidate.—*N. Y. Sun.*

Now, gentlemen; here we have it; the presidency of the United States; a little worn, but still in good running order; start her off; what am I offered? $200,000 by Mr. Flower. Thank you, sir; $200,000! $200,000! $200,000! $300,000 by Mr. Payne, $350,000 by Mr. Flower! Do I hear the four? Four shall I make it? Going at four? ——.—*Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.*

We want to found a new party in our country; a party of national principles and national activity, and one which looks forward to a national triumph. I know intelligent young men are sick to death of the current platforms, full of demagogry, and which are meant to be double-faced; I know I speak for the young men who have come into citizenship in the last 10 years; we do not like the name or the province of Independents, valuable as such service is; we want to found, and this convention should found, a new party.—*President Eliot.*

I love the Republican party so well that I want to see it chastened a little—to help drive out the men who so hunger for spoils that they sacrifice all higher aims to this greed for office. It is not wholesome to have the voters say "I depricate the candidate but shall stick to the party"—for that says to all the rogues and rascals, get the nominations, no matter how, and honest men will support you. These men know how to play that game. Let us hold over such the restraining hand of a willingness to bolt all bad nominations.—*Rev. James Freeman Clarke.*

Of Mr. Blaine it must be said that somehow or other he stands as the type of those measures and that conduct which we consider as disreputable. Personally I have nothing to say against him as a civil and polite gentleman, but he seems to be surrounded by all the rascality and riff-raff of the Republican party; that all such favor him is good reason why men who believe in sound principles should oppose him. He bears much resemblance to our good old friend Gen. Butler—both are smart, and both are clear as to what is for their own interest.—*Rev. James Freeman Clarke.*

Gen. Logan does not conceal his contempt of civil service reform notions. In a speech in the Senate he said: "I do not believe in this thing of competitive examinations. I do not believe that any one can tell as to the qualifications of men in that way. I think it would be a great deal better to have a phrenologist examine their heads and determine their honesty than to have a commission examine them and see to their ability to perform duties they do not know anything about. So far as I am concerned, I shall not vote a dollar to continue this commission, nor one dollar to continue these rules, nor one dollar to have a competitive examination, nor one dollar to carry this thing out, because I do not beleive the principle is correct."

Policeman Conroy of New York, who is under sentence of death for brutally killing a man while arresting him some time ago, gets a new trial by a decision of the supreme court, declaring an error in the proceedings, and will be very likely to escape his sentence in some way. There can be no doubt but that Conroy is guilty of murder, the fact that he was a policeman not exonorating him in the least, and he should be made to suffer the penalty fixed for his crime.

Another severe frost visited various portions of New England last Saturday night, doing an immense amount of damage to beans, squashes, strawberries, potatoes, corn, the cranberry crop on Cape Cod, and early fruits in many localities. Numerous fields which have already been planted a second time will need another seeding.

The city of Holyoke has a coffee house movement, an association having been formed by some of the temperance women to raise funds wherewith to build a block to be used as a coffee house on a lot offered for the purpose.

Some boys at Bridgeport, Ct., found a broken telephone wire last Friday night, and throwing it over an electric light wire induced an 8-years-old lad to take hold of the end, he receiving a shock which proved fatal.

Reports from Texas show that the cotton crop of that state is in a very favorable condition, and indications point to a large yield.

The general strike of union coal miners in Pensylvania, ordered for Monday, did not seem a success, the men lacking unanimity.

LOCAL NOTICES.

Boys' canvas shoes 75 cents at Milligan's.

$2.99 buys a fine shoe for gent's wear at Clark's shoe store. Every pair warranted.

Do you want to enjoy the luxury of an Oil Stove this hot weather? You are not obliged to buy. You can hire one of E. J. Wood.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

Hot?

Just a few.

Oh! for some more rain.

'Most time for pond lilies.

Got your vacation planned?

Hammocks are very popular these days—and evenings, too.

Children's Sunday will be observed at the Universalist church next Sunday.

Elder E. McCulloch of Springfield will preach at the Advent chapel next Sunday.

Thermometer 97° in the shade on Tuesday, 102° on Wednesday, 100° yesterday.

Rev. Mr. Hunter exchanged pulpits with Rev. Mr. Kelsey of Suffield, Conn., last Sunday.

The examinations for admission to the high school will be held to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Prof. Gill of Wilbraham is expected to preach at the Four Corners next Sunday at 1 o'clock p. m.

Daniel Devine was the one who held the lucky ticket and drew the $65 sewing machine at Clark's shoe store.

A raid on W. L. Burke's apartments in Strong's new block was made the other day, and a small quantity of liquor found.

The iron railing in front of the Nassowanno block has been removed, thus depriving many of their evening roosting place.

It is a good plan to blow out the light before retiring these hot evenings, or else lower the curtain before the process of disrobing takes place.

A large force of men were employed last Sunday in putting new iron stringers under the south track of the B. & A. road over Commercial street.

Hand-organ men have been numerous this week, and yesterday morning a couple of men with bagpipes made Main street hideous for a time.

O. P. Allen and wife took a carriage drive to Shutesbury and back on Monday and Tuesday of this week, and report a most enjoyable trip.

News is dull this week. In fact there is nothing lively about the whole town but the heat. That, however, is getting in its work in great shape.

Some seats down by the fence which incloses the railroad's land would be just the thing for the loafers who congregate on Main street each evening.

The old passenger depot has this week been moved up to Main street, directly in front of the Nassowanno House, though no one seems to know what is to be done with it.

Rev. T. Myers of Buffalo, N. Y., colored, will lecture at Union Hall next Monday evening on the "General Capacity of the Colored Race." A small admission fee will be charged.

Those who wish to secure a copy of "Palmer Illustrated" should place their names on the list at once, as the books are closed July 1st. The advertisement will be found elsewhere.

The roofing which covered the platform at the old depot has been bought by the Palmer Wire Co., and removed to their mills this week in sections. They will use it to store wire under.

Names of pupils in the intermediate school having no absent or tardy marks: Molly Foley, Mabel Holbrook, Arabella Knox, Effie Moffatt, Lula Vaille, Frank Roach, and James Stone.

We have heard nothing as yet about any demonstration in this place on the Fourth. The G. A. R. post will go to Monson, and doubtless a great many others will also attend the celebration there.

Business at the factory of the Betts Fencing Company is rushing, they having all they can do. Extra machines have recently been put in, but they are unable to keep up with their orders.

Human nature displays itself at an early age in some children. A little girl of three and a half years carried an old broken plaything to her mother the other day and said: "Mamma, I guess I'll give this to baby; I don't want it any more."

Miss Addie Hoyt proposes opening a private school for young children at her home on Pine street. Miss Hoyt is a teacher of experience, being well recommended by the committee at Three Rivers and Bondsville, where she has taught about three years.

Names of scholars in the second primary school who have been neither absent nor tardy during the past term: Edgar Duplessis, Johnnie French, Neddie Gardner, Mabel Clark, Minnie Edson, Flora Fisk, Maud Kenerson, Mary McGuire, Gertrude Rogers, Kate Shea.

A large party of friends called upon Rev. O. R. Hunt and wife last Friday evening, to remind them of the tenth anniversary of their marriage. Mr. Edgerton, in behalf of the party, presented a beautiful album; cake and ice cream were served by the ladies, and a pleasant evening was enjoyed by all.

The graduating exercises of the class of the high school will be held in Wales Hall next Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, when an interesting order of exercises will be given. Music will be furnished by an orchestra. In the evening a promenade concert will be given at the hall, and ice cream and cake will be for sale.

The welcome rain came yesterday afternoon, about four o'clock, accompanied by considerable wind, lightning and thunder, and preceded by quite a hail storm, some of the hailstones being as large as robin's eggs. During the storm trees in front of L. Dimock's and H. A. Northrop's houses on Central street were broken by the wind.

The grass crop hereabouts is nearly ruined by the ravages of worms, and many farmers are plowing over their mowing land, finding that they can get hardly a hundred pounds of hay from land which has heretofore yielded three or more tons to the acre. This means expensive feed for the animals next winter, if the trouble is at all widespread.

A citizen and his wife who went to Boston Tuesday morning on a shopping trip, and one or two others who went down on business, awoke to the fact that it was Bunker Hill day, when they reached the city and found every place of business closed, and that there was nothing for them to do but amuse themselves the best way they could or turn about and come home.

On Monday Charles Oakleaf was before the district court, charged with drunkenness and indecent exposure, and settled the matter for something over $12. Eleven boys from Three Rivers were also up for playing ball on Sunday, and paid costs of $2.52 each. All work in the mill, and only about one half of them can read. One of those who could not, being 17 years old and having worked in the mill steadily for two years. On Wednesday, T. Donahea of Monson was before the court for having had too big a spree, and fined $5.90 therefor.

Just before the storm yesterday afternoon lightning struck the house occupied by F. R. Lawton, on Park street. The bolt seemed to divide into two sections, one going down the front of the house, breaking an upstairs window and then smashing the front door, while the other went down the back side, ripping a broad belt of shingles from the roof, then going into a chamber, and from there into the room below, tearing off a strip of plastering down to the baseboard. Fortunately Mrs. Lawton and her little girl were at a neighbor's, or they might have been badly hurt.

WEST BRIMFIELD.

If this drouth continues the army worms had better avoid this part of the town, as they won't find anything to live on.

Pretty warm, thermometer 100° in the shade Wednesday noon.

BONDSVILLE.

Although but little rain fell here yesterday afternoon, yet just across the river in the south part of Belchertown a heavy storm is reported, the hail being very large, and doing much damage to corn, potatoes, and other growing crops.

WALES.

Repairs on the highways are nearly completed.

The frost of last Saturday night did not do much damage in this vicinity.

A petition for a warrant in insolvency has been granted against E. D. Shaw.

THORNDIKE.

Names of scholars not absent during the term just ended. Thorndike primary school—Harry Brannan, Fred Bishop, Patrick Fleming, James Keefe, Maurice Kallher, Eugene Lester, Charlie McCormick, Patrick Sullivan, Jesse Trumble, Jennie Coto, Ellen Hutchinson, Maggie Sullivan. Intermediate school—Mary Sullivan, Daniel Sullivan, Patrick Sugrue.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

Ice cream will be served at the tent Saturday evening.

W. L. Collins has put on a new and handsome coach to run to the Street.

Capt. Wall gathered his first strawberries Wednesday, reputed to be delicious.

The river is very low, and the water supply is cut off. Cutler & Co. commenced to run by steam Friday.

Many have attended the commencement exercises during the past week, which have been of unusual excellence.

J. M. Perry of Cutler & Co., has taken a trip of two or three weeks through the west. His family are in Boston.

Work on the improvements at the paper mill lags for want of materials, and they will need the power long before it can be provided.

THREE RIVERS.

E. N. Tupper is said to have failed in business and to have disappeared from the place.

The Otis Co. is about to commence laying the foundation for a 30 by 60 feet addition to the dye-house.

The Three Rivers ball club defeated the Jenksvilles in an exciting game at this place last Saturday afternoon.

The shower which visited the other villages yesterday afternoon, passed over this place with but a slight sprinkle.

John K. Ferrell drove against the iron railing in front of Thayer's store Tuesday afternoon, and was thrown from his wagon but not seriously hurt.

A large and appreciative audience attended the entertainment by the ladies' society last evening. The receipts were about $20, and the evening was greatly enjoyed by all.

BELCHERTOWN.

The high school dramatic club gave an entertainment to a large audience last Friday evening. The spring term of the school closes to-day.

Noble Hannum, one of our oldest citizens, and who has always heretofore enjoyed unusually good health, was stricken with paralysis while in the post office on Tuesday.

The contract for building the school house at West Hill has been let to H. A. Hoag, and that for the Franklin school house to Canterbury Bros. of South Belchertown.

Daniel Hazen has had a cow and yearling heifer poisoned by eating Paris green which had been thrown out with some rubbish that had been removed from a house by a tenant just moving in.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Wilson of North Belchertown were visited by some 30 of their friends and neighbors last Saturday evening, it being the 10th anniversary of their marriage. A very pleasant time was enjoyed, and some nice presents made.

BRIMFIELD.

The funeral of Charles C. Warren, a native of Brimfield, who died at Paris, France, May 6, was held at the house of Samuel W. Brown, his brother-in-law, on Thursday at 2 p. m.

The graduating exercises of a class of ten, from the Hitchcock Free High School will be held at the Congregational church on Friday, June 27th, at 2 p. m. The Orchestral club of Springfield furnish music for the occasion.

The continued dry weather, with the thermometer in the nineties during the day and an occasional frost at night, has a depressing influence upon the farmers. Predictions of not more than half the usual crop of hay are frequent, and we fear may prove true.

The wedding of Frank H. Coolbroth of Hollidaysburg, Pa., to Miss Stella J. Homer of Bloomington, Ill., both former students at the Hitchcock Free High school of this place, occurred at Trinity church Denver, Colorado, Tuesday evening, the 17th inst. Nearly three hundred invitations were given out, many of which were received by their friends and former schoolmates in Brimfield and vicinity.

The usual influx of summer residents and boarders has commenced, the family of E. T. Sherman of New York, and James J. Warren of Worcester, occupying their summer residences. Mrs. C. Brady and family of New York, and M. W. French and family of Palmer are stopping at the Brimfield house. George Whitehouse and daughter, and Mrs. Loring and family are at the residence of Dea. W. M. Goodell.

MONSON.

Painters are at work on the new addition to E. Cushman's house.

R. M. Reynolds lost a valuable horse last week from congestion of the lungs.

Several gardens in this place were nipped for a second time by the frost of last Saturday night.

J. L. Shaw & Co. furnished the graduating suits for the young gentlemen of the gradiating class of the academy.

The two new houses at the south part of the village belonging to John Orcutt are completed, and await a customer.

A life-like illustration of a trip across the desert of Sahara may be had on Main street any of these hot and dusty days.

The new building to used by Dr. Rand for office purposes is nearly completed, and will make a very comfortable and commodious office.

Chas. E. Smith has purchased L. W. Brewer's harness business, and enlarged the rooms in Newton's block, where he will attend to business in that line.

The farmers in this vicinity report that the drouth is seriously injuring the hay crop, and that some fields will not yield more than half the usual quantity.

A raid was made on J. S. Bogan last Saturday evening, and a small quantity of liquor found. A little of the ardent was also found at the house of one Costello.

The traveling scissors grinder was more of an attraction Wednesday, than the excursion to Hartford. His next exhibition will probably be given under a canvass and a small fee charged to witness his performances.

At Central Hall next Sunday there will be special services. In the morning will occur the consecration of, and sermon to, the children. In the evening at 7.30 there will be a floral concert by the Sabbath school.

We give this week an extended account of the 80th anniversary of Monson Academy, and also give the poem read by Mr. Prentiss, all of which we think will be interesting to our readers. An extra edition has been printed, and copies can be secured of the news dealers.

One of our school teachers a few days ago wrote some nouns on the blackboard and requested her scholars to write sentences containing them. Among them was the word "bee," and one little fellow handed up the sentence "The bee is a wild beast." Verily he builded better than he knew.

WEST WARREN.

The Buxton Bros. dwelling house is nearly completed.

If there is not more rain soon the mills will begin to suffer for want of water.

William Clark anticipates the purchase of the Brimfield Street residence of J. T. Collins.

The Sons of Temperance have changed their night of meeting from Thursday to Monday.

Good ice cream weather, as S. M. Smith can testify, judging by the amount he has sold the last few days.

Mr. Loselle of the firm of Herbert Loselle & Co., has broken ground for a four-tenement house on Chapel street.

There was a strawberry festival held in Crossmans hall by the Congregational society on Wednesday evening.

Crossmans have made a large purchase of lumber of A. W. Lincoln, which will probably be used for tool handles, etc.

A. W. Lincoln sawed in one day this week with the steam saw mill in operation on his woodlot, 15,000 feet of lumber, from a variety of old logs.

Notwithstanding the two raids made here recently on the "shebeens," the fire water still is plentiful, quite a number of its unfortunate victims were seen lying by the roadside the morning after pay day.

St. Jean Baptist society have issued a bill announcing their second annual festival, which they will celebrate in Washington Hall next Tuesday evening, with a social dance. Music is to be furnished by the Warren orchestra, assisted by others from Worcester. A pleasant time is anticipated.

P. O'Gorman in another of his periodical drunks, was arrested by Officer Smith Wednesday morning and taken before Justice Tyler on a charge of trifling with loaded firearms while in said condition. It being his third appearance this spring he was forwarded to Worcester jail for thirty days, in which time he will probably sober up.

Last Sunday the services in the M. E. church were appropriate to children's Sunday. The church was tastefully decorated, cages containing warbling birds were conspicuous, and a suitable address by the pastor. In the evening exercises were performed by the different classes of the Sabbath school creditable to both teachers and friends.

It is to be lamented that an officer of the law cannot be induced to serve in this village. The night after pay day was made hideous till the small hours by drunken brawlers, and some of young and tender years, that were not really old enough to be trusted away from their mothers. It is high time something should be done to keep common order in the streets both day and night.

WARREN.

W. H. Shephard has sold his residence to D. E. Penfield.

A pension of $1000 has been granted H. W. Hitchcock.

Mr. Howard, of the firm of Rice & Co., lies dangerously ill at his home.

The concreters are laying a walk from the depot to Blake's pump shop.

The W. C. T. U. met at the house of Mrs. Emory Shumway Thursday afternoon.

The examinations for admission to the higher grades of schools took place to-day.

Comical Brown gave his variety entertainment to a small audience Monday evening.

A pleasant surprise was given to Waldo White Wednesday evening by the young people.

Children's Day will be observed by the Congregational church and Sabbath school June 29th.

Rev. Mr. Richardson gave a reception to the young people of his congregation Monday evening.

The Universalists will observe next Sabbath as Children's Sunday. A concert will be given in the evening.

Mr. Hitchings, pattern maker at the pump shop, has gone to his father's in Maine on a four weeks' vacation.

Friday evening the graduating class of the high school was tendered a reception by the other classes at the town hall.

The ladies' mission circle will give a strawberry festival on the grounds of Mrs. Emory Shumway Wednesday evening of next week.

George Leach, student of natural history, has added this season to his already large collection of insects, several specimens of rare moths.

Rev. Mr. Somes has presented the public library with one of the vertebræ of a whale which was washed up on the beach at Barnstable.

Work of grading side walks in the vicinity of the "Lower Village" is being rapidly and substantially done by the contractor from Chicopee Falls.

William Henderson, night foreman at the Knowles Pump Works, whose shoulder was dislocated by a fall, has so far recovered as to resume his duties.

The firemen held a successful strawberry festival and entertainment in Brigham's Hall Tuesday evening. The Warren Cornet band was in attendance, and a very pleasant evening was passed.

Children's Day was observed by the Methodist society last Sabbath, a Sunday school concert being held in the evening. The exercises were probably very interesting to those who could hear, but very few spoke loud enough to be heard in the rear part of the room.

The reception of the high school takes place this evening. The class prophecy will be read, and music, recitations, etc., will entertain those who attend. The graduating exercises were of an excellent order and all parts well rendered. The hall was handsomely decorated with flowers, laurel, etc.

There seems to be some opposition to laying a concrete walk on School street, as the street is so very narrow that in order to have a walk it will be necessary to take some of the land belonging to the high school building, which the school committee oppose, as it will injure the grounds belonging to the building. A town meeting has been called to settle the question.

WARE AND VICINITY.

Douglass Irwin has bought the house of Lewis Mongrain on William street for $1440.

A slight frost last Saturday night; but this week it is "hot enough for corn to grow."

In connection with the Unitarian children's concert there will also be a christening service.

The high school held a reception at Music Hall on Thursday evening. Music by the Ware orchestra.

A game of base ball between the Clippers and a nine from Gilbertville on the Clippers' grounds to-morrow.

The Rev. Mr. Beers will hold Episcopal service in the district court room next Sunday morning at 10.30 a. m.

The French Dramatic club are to hold a strawberry festival at Firemen's Hall on Tuesday evening, June 24th.

The Cornet band gave a fine open-air concert in Nenameseck square on Monday evening, which was received with great applause.

Children's Day will be observed at the Unitarian church next Sunday by a Sunday school concert at quarter before two in the afternoon.

Herbert P. Cummings has been awarded the contract for building the new addition to the Geo. H. Gilbert Mfg. Co.'s works on South street.

The French Catholic church is to hold a picnic in Eaton's grove, July 4th. It is also rumored that there is to be a picnic at Hoyt's grove.

William E. Lewis, formerly of this town, now connected with the work of the Y. M. C. A. in Wisconsin, is spending a few days at his old home.

The trees in the park in Nenameseck square have been nicely trimmed the past week, much improving the appearance of this little spot of green in our midst.

Elliot E. Cleveland, who has for the past three years been with G. K. Cutler, is going into the same business for himself, having bought out a store at West Gardner, where he will take possession July 1st.

The fruits of the rum traffic keep cropping out. It is reported that two young men, respectably connected, had to be carried to their homes and a physician called to attend them in consequence of heavy drinking a few nights since.

There having been some disregard of the by-laws of the town, in playing ball on the public streets, bathing in view of the highway, probably through ignorance, the matter was taken in hand by the selectmen, who have posted notices which have stopped the trouble. They have also had a copy of the by-laws framed and hung in the post-office so none can plead the want of knowledge in the future.

The Centennial Sunday school concert at the Methodist church last Sunday evening was a grand success, the church being filled to its utmost capacity. The exercises by the children were remarkably good, showing careful training by their teachers. In the responsive reading there was no doubt much information imparted but we think it would have been more satisfactory to those present to have it in a discourse by itself. The ladies who had charge of the decorations were greatly to be commended for the beautiful manner in which their work was done.

MONSON ACADEMY.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS—EXERCISES OF THE GRADUATING CLASS—MEETING OF THE ALUMNI—REUNION—SPEECHES, ETC.

The 80th anniversary of this noted New England institution has taken place this week, and another class has gone forth to swell the numbers who have graduated from this time-honored institution. Rev. Mr. Byington of the Congregational church preached the sermon to the graduating class on Sunday evening, taking for his text the 14th, 15th and 16th verses of the 25th chapter of Matthew, the subject being "The Right Use of Opportunities."

The annual meeting of the trustees was held Monday evening, and these officers elected: President, Rev. A. E. P. Perkins, D. D., of Ware; vice president, Rev. E. H. Byington, of Monson; secretary, Solomon F. Cushman, of Monson; treasurer, Edward F. Morris, of Monson. The report of the treasurer showed the invested fund of this institution to be something over $20,000. The expenditures of the last year somewhat exceeded the receipts, and the trustees feel the necessity of an increased endowment for the successful working of the institution. It was voted to have the graduating exercises hereafter one week later than the present arrangement, in order that there may be less conflict with the exercises of other institutions. The working of the school for the year now closed has been very successful.

Notwithstanding the extreme hot weather of Tuesday evening Central Hall was filled to its utmost capacity with our best people, and friends from abroad, to witness the graduating exercises of the class of '84 of Monson Academy. The stage was very neatly and tastefully trimmed with flowers, and the exercises commenced promptly at 7. After music by Southland's Orchestra of Springfield, prayer by Rev. Dr. Perkins of Ware and another selection of music, Alice A. Morris of Monson delivered the salutatory address. The graduating class contained nine members—three ladies and six gentlemen—all wearing class color, a deep red. The exercises were very good, reflecting much credit upon the principal and his assistants, as well as upon the scholars themselves. The best of the evening was the oration of George S. Rollins of Canterbury, Ct., whose subject, "Head and Hands," was treated in a thorough and practical manner, containing many good points for young people just starting in life. Of the others it is hard to say which was the best, all being equally good. The valedictory was delivered by Miss Grace H. Aldrich of Monson, after which came the conferring of diplomas, which was done by Rev. Dr. Perkins, chairman of the board of trustees, who gave them some good advice as to their "duty" in life. The singing of the class ode, composed by George S. Rollins, was necessarily omitted. After the exercises the seats were removed from the hall, and a very pleasant hour was passed in social intercourse, many old graduates from out of town being present, renewing old acquaintances, recalling past scenes, and adding much to the enjoyment of the occasion.

The exercises at the class tree on Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock consisted of an oration by Harry H. Brown of Palmer, '85, in which he touched lightly on the part each one had taken in the exercises of the evening before, and gave them some good advice; a poem by C. C. Lyon of Stafford, and a class history and prophecy in poetry and prose by G. S. Rollins, followed by the singing of the class ode.

About 200 were present at the reunion at the Congregational church at 10.30, and were welcomed by Rev. James Tufts, who in the name of the trustees, and of the clergymen of Monson, both past and present, extended to all a cordial greeting. Monson Academy, he said, could not boast of large buildings and great wealth, but had done much for the cause of education, and as he thought of the students all over the land who had gone out from the institution, she might say with pride "These are my jewels." The response was given by Rev. J. H. Ward of Boston, president of the alumni, who spoke for the former graduates, who had gone out from the academy and had now returned, many of them gray-headed, to this reunion, feeling under great obligations to the academy and teachers of the past for what had been done for them. He spoke highly of Mr. Tufts, who had taught them self-education, and to do something for themselves, and mentioned among others who had gone to fill high positions and do a noble work in life, Rev. H. M. Tupper, now of Shaw University of North Carolina, who was doing a great work among the colored people. Monson academy, he thought, sent more young people out into the world than any other of the same size, and that it owed much of its prosperity to the Monson people. The co-education of the sexes was the right principle for all schools, and the graduates were now coming back with feelings of reverence toward their Alma Mater with loyal hearts and loving sympathies, by their presence to sustain her in many years of usefulness in the future. After prayer by Rev. Mr. Currier of Indianapolis, Ind., and singing, Lucian D. Trow of Hardwick read a very neat introductory poem, the last two verses of which were then sung to the tune of "Auld Lang Syne." With the remark that Monson Academy had many honored graduates in pulpit and state, the president introduced one "whose name was well known in this country and in Europe, and commanded respect wherever it was spoken," Hon. Henry L. Barnard of Hartford, Ct., who delivered an address upon the New England academy, showing that it originated through such town grammar schools as were known to the early history of Boston, and described in detail a plan for an academy which was at one time proposed for Philadelphia by Benjamin Franklin. The past defects of the system were pointed out, its relations to the high school, and the comparative advantages of the two. He showed what the high school had left for the academy to do, and concluded with a plea for various improvements and a well endowed academy at Monson. George F. Prentiss, of Amherst, the poet of the day, then read the following poem:

A RETROSPECT.

We glance to-day with tearful sigh,
Adown the shadowy slope of years;
Oh, many are the changeful scenes,
Some full of joy—some flecked with tears.

Some mountain peaks, whose cloudless heights
Are basking in perpetual light;
Some valleys, where the dark mists fall
So low they shut the world from sight.

O, mem'ry of departed years,
Toward thee our tenderest thoughts we turn;
We live the life of long ago,
With youthful hopes our spirits burn.

I sweep the harp for an anthem grand,
But oh, the fretted strings complain;
Not a chord of joy swells on my ear,
'Tis only a trembling dirge of pain.

For the thoughts of the past are sad, sad thoughts,
Weighed down for our beloved dead;
A moment only we backward turn,
To the memory of years long fled.

Oh past, deep grave of all our dreams,
The waves of our present beat thy shore;
Let us live but a moment those olden days,
And the hot blood of youth will rush as of yore.

For the iron warp, in our web of life,
Is filled with a woof of purest gold;
Amid the sighs and the flood of tears,
Come thrilling joys that are manifold.

INTERLUDE.

As we sit in the dying daylight,
And dream of the long ago,
The faces we see in our fancy
Are the same that we used to know.

For the years, with their blasting fingers,
Touch never the friends of our youth,
And that is the sweet of mem'ry,
We keep them as sacred as truth.

POEM.

Our dear old mother, with her four-score years,
Has called her learned children back to-day;
The children whom she taught with patient hand.
And here we come with loyal hearts and true,
To her who schooled us first from classic tome.
We come from all the busy marts of life,
From musty volumes of prophetic lore,
From all the rustling surge of human strife.
I see brave veterans here, who long have fought
The battle for the right, whose fingers now
Have grown to hilt, and whose white locks are worn
By helmet brass. And active warriors too,
Who stand like knights to meet the doubty foe;
And with them, youth of chivalry, whose veins
Are full of feverish blood, that leaps at peal
Of martial strain. They wait the call of war.
Leap high, young blood! the battle calls; away!
The cry, "On, on," sounds long and lond;
The conflict hastens; on, we must obey,
For right 'gainst wrong must win our field to-day.
How high our pulses beat with youth again;
The airy hopes of long ago come fast;
Our hearts thrill at the sight of early scenes,
And castles rise again in purple mist,
And we are young again. The magic sway
Of old-time thoughts, and friends, are as of old,
And we would take the children's place once more.
As when some weary traveler, at length,
From wandering in a foreign land returns,
And feels a longing to be young again:
When he has walked the old familiar path,
Has swung beneath the antiquated elm,
And found in attic some forgotten toy,
So we to-day would children be, and think,
In fancy, snowy locks are gold again.
And this desire is not at all in vain;
Forgotten are the sighs of long ago,
Remembered are those early joys we loved;
Years lend enchantment to the grace of youth;
The long departed are the golden days.
Our gathering here again gives life new zest;
It gives our reverend Mother power, too,
And clasping once again some old friend's hand,
Gives strength anew to care-beleagured hearts.
Yet but a moment do we have to stay;
To-morrow, onward to the field again:
Oh, pass the watchward of your life to-day!
What are you doing in the field of strife?
What is the battle cry that nerves you on?
Yet come we not as aged warriors come,
With spoils of jewels and barbaric gold,
Or weapons wrested from the vanquished foe:
But with the olive branch and ivy crown
We tread the imperial road, but not of Rome.
The path of right and justice we pursue,
Those principles so deep installed by her
Whose four-score years we celebrate to-day.
Nor bring we great displays of art, from halls
Of Greece; nor marble freize, nor shafts of stone,
Nor ancient tribute from the orient realms.
But what we have we bring with lavish hand,
And that in fullest surety: true hearts
And loyal hands, ourselves to her we bring.
'Twill give our Alma Mater joy, I know,
And strengthen her to do her noble work,
And give to frail humanity true lives
And hearts that grow not old, and beat as warm
When time's keen iron tooth has gnawed us deep,
And age has whitened every lock with snow;
As when the warm bright blood of youth
Leaps to the blushing cheek, and pulses throb
With all the wild ecstatic joy of hope.
Such are the children who would clasp the hand
Of her whose highest good we bear at heart.
Her work is great, so great that not until
The Judgment Book of God is opened wide
Shall we the fullness of her power know.
Oh, we are proud of thee, fair classic Queen,
Dear mother of our early youthful days,
Our spirits swell with fondest love for thee.
O roses sweet of fragrant June,
A light of this gay summer noon,
Thou buss, in all thy sunny glee,
Touched in our hearts a jubilee.
Ye birds take up our joyous song,
And through the air the notes prolong.
Awake, wild echoes of the hills,
Awake, sweet blossoms bright and gay,
Awake, it is our gala-day.
Leap, pulses, feeble with the years,
Laugh, eyes that swim in tears.
Fall, sunbeams on the locks of gray.
Strew flowers all along the way.
For fretted strings forget their pain.
And join at last our glad refrain.
All hail to childhood's happy home.
Our hope, our joy, tho' far we roam
We keep thy mem'ry dear as truth,
And live again the joys of youth.

The alumni then adjourned to the parlors of the church, where a collation was served by the young ladies' working club of the society, after which they reassembled in the vestry to listen to speeches by different gradnates. Rev. Mr. Ward presided, and Rev. Mr. Underwood of New Jersey spoke first. Having heard one of the oldest gradnates the president thought it would be well to have one of the youngest, and called on the senior class of this year, who chose G. S. Rollins to speak for them. He spoke of the academy of to-day, and thought that old students could not appreciate the institution as it now is: mentioned the deep interest felt in it by the graduating class, and expressed a wish to see it established on a firm basis.

Lucian D. Trow of Hardwick said he had such an enjoyable time last year that he had come again this, and had enjoyed it fully as much. He related his first introduction to the institution, recalled a number of humorous incidents connected with his school-boy life there, and spoke of many who had been at the academy with him, but who were now scattered—he knew not where. Nearly all of the faces present were strangers to him, but it gave him much pleasure to return and recall the old scenes and happenings.

A short address was given by Benjamin Fuller of Springfield, who graduated 73 years ago, in 1811.

The president said that it was one of the sports of boyhood to fly kites, and as there were five kites present he was going to try and fly some of them, and called on Dr. Kyte of Jersey City, who said he had thought and dreamed of Monson since he graduated eleven years ago; had often longed to return, and had now done so for the first time. He had spent three of the happiest years of his life at the academy, and as there were such pleasant reunions here, he hoped that all would meet in a grand reunion in the hereafter.

A poem entitled "The Rock House," by Philander Reed, a well-remembered student, was then read by Miss Emily Newton, after which letters regretting an inability to be present were read from Judge Knowlton of Northampton, who was detained by a session of court, Mrs. J. B. Conklin of Philadelphia, Dr. S. W. Kelly of Woburn, who is a former teacher, and others.

Mr. Ward said he had some time ago accepted the position of special agent to collect funds for the institution, and it was his wish to see it properly endowed, and he was determined not to stop until he had accomplished that aim, unless he stopped with his life. An endowment fund of not less than $30,000 nor more than $40,000 was wanted, and he thought that if $25,000 of this could be raised in Monson, $5000 or more could be raised among the alumni. The Misses Eastman of Dana Hall, Wellesley, had agreed to give a handsome sum—he was not at liberty to say how much—if the fund could be raised. Some $17,500 had been raised in Monson, but he thought the fate of Monson Academy trembled in the balance, and called on Principal Cummings for a statement regarding it. He stated that from 31 students in the spring term of '81, when he came here, the number had increased to 65 in the spring and 85 in the fall terms. He thought the trustees were doing all they could and not run in debt; he also thought a four-years' course advisable, and pleaded for money for scientific apparatus.

Rev. A. H. Currier of Indianapolis, Ind., a former teacher here, said he doubted whether he had done as much good for the academy as it had done for him while he taught there, and had always hoped, when he heard of its straightened circumstances, that it might be set free. He spoke of the change in Monson since he had been here, and hoped that in years to come the academy might be placed as much higher as the town had been, and in time have buildings of stone from the Monson quarries.

After a few remarks from H. W. Blake of the Springfield *Republican*, letters from Young Wing and other gradnates were read.

Rev. C. L. Woodworth of Boston made a very interesting address, recalling incidents and persons of 43 years ago, and said the academy possessed a high intellectual and moral force over the town, and claimed that Monson could afford to lose anything but its academy.

Hon. Henry Barnard spoke of the men of highest genius who had graduated in years past and gone out into the world to do good.

C. W. Holmes, Jr. of Monson, and Rev. C. H. Ricketts of Rockville, Ct., excused themselves, and Mr. Morris stated that the funds of the academy were about $20,000, but that only one-half could be used for running expenses, the balance being assigned to special educational funds.

Rev. Mr. Kyte of Brimfield cherished very pleasant memories of Monson and its hills, and wished he had a few of the thousands which had been made in the town; he would give it all to the academy for the good it had done and would do.

After a hearty vote of thanks to the people of Monson for their reception and entertainment, the alumni adjourned, feeling that it had had a very enjoyable and profitable meeting, and fully determined to repeat it year after year.

The exercises closed with a reception at the academy in the evening.

CONVENIENTLY SMALL.

Correspondence of the JOURNAL.

How are the few leading Democrats in Massachusetts who have remained in that party because it was conveniently small, going to relish the incorportion of so large a part of "leading Republicans" just upon a time when they are so sure of a big shower of porridge in their dishes, which they have been so careful to keep right side up, ready for the good time coming? They must know that the porridge must be divided, for the blue bloods about the hub must have their share. By the way, it begins to leak out that these blue bloods are really more for free trade than for opposing Blaine for any fault of his, except that he is looked upon as an extreme protectionist, or what they call his American policy. The free trade antecedents of the Democratic party will suit many of them, and with that they must accept their greenback and silver policy, also their anti-national bank policy, and very probably their modes of carrying elections. Whatever there is to the civil service policy is purely Republican. Nine tenths of the republicans fully believe in it but we fear we shall lose all that has been gained in that line, if the Democrats can by the aid of those "best" Republicans get fully into power.

"To the victors belong the spoils," has always, since Jackson's day, been almost the entire policy of the Democrats. Whatever else they have is adopted after the Republicans have got it well established. All that can be said about these "best" Republicans who propose to go out of the party is, they will simply jump out of the frying pan into the fire.

If the campaign is put upon the issue of Blaine's extreme American policy as against free trade and increased importation of English or other goods, there surely will be an increased Blaine vote from many in New England who have heretofore voted the Democratic ticket. Their self-interest will lead them to that result. The question will be, whether the "blue blood" vote will outnumber that of the laborers, who well know the value of protection.

These "blue bloods" are too proud to beg an office, and yet they do not get office. If they can neither have office nor dictate who shall have it, they are waiting to abdicate the party and principles they helped to establish. Many of those men who signed the Boston call, or their fathers, stood by Webster when he said the nomination of Gen. Taylor was one not fit to be made; yet they with Webster, wheeled into line and did their best to elect him.

NOT ONE OF THEM.

A disregard of train orders caused a collision between an excursion and a passenger train on the Camden & Atlantic road near Ashland, N. J., by which seven men were killed and two locomotives demolished.

At a balloon ascension at Bordeaux, the first of the week, the American minister, G. W. Roosevelt, was shot at by a French soldier, but was only slightly injured, the bullet just grazing his head.

The graduating exercises at West Point were witnessed last Saturday morning by about 1000 people, including the President, secretary of war, Gens. Sherman, Crook, Merritt, and others.

A single stem from a rosebush, containing 139 roses and opening buds, was exhibited at Santa Rose, Cal., the other day.

The Harvard overseers have decided not to confer the degree of LL.D. on Governor Robinson.

The Garfield Hospital in Washington has received a bequest of $10,000.

Brighton, Eng., has an electric railway a mile in length.

Metcalf & Luther, Springfield, sell the Crown Oil Stove, which cooks so many dishes at once, and is so cheap.

Read the very attractive list of ladies' goods offered by W. D. Kinsman of Springfield.

Fact—but, as the newspapers say, "nobody will believe it," Fontaine's cure for Consumption is guaranteed to cure diseases of the lungs. Sold by Z. F. Beverly. cowly12

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HAY FEVER AND ROSE COLD.

I can recommend Ely's Cream Balm to relieve all persons suffering from Rose Cold and Hay Fever. I have been a great sufferer from these complaints and have used it. I have recommended it to many of my friends for Catarrh, and in all cases where they have used the Balm freely they have been cured.—T. Kennedy, Dry Goods Merchant, Ithaca, N. Y. 2w12

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When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria,
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When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.
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This is positively true in regard to Belding Bros. & Co.'s Superior Pure Thread Knitting Silk. The common spun silk costs a trifle less, but after knitting soon looks dull and rough, like Saxony yarn. Thread silk is smooth, strong and lustrous. It is a real pleasure to knit and wear it. Mrs. L. S. Carpenter invites inspection by practical knitters and all others to a complete assortment of the above silk. 4w10

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O. P. Allen and O. J. Winslow state that indigestion prepares every one for disease, but guarantee Acker's Dyspepsia Tablets to cure all forms of indigestion. cow ly 1

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The greatest medical wonder of the world. Warranted to speedily cure Burns, Bruises, Cuts, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Cancers, Piles Chilblains, Corns, Tetter, Chapped Hands, and all skin eruptions, guaranteed to cure in every instance or money refunded. 25 cents per box. For sale by G. L. Hitchcock. 1y32

A fact: That Fay's Shoe Store has the largest stock of fine and medium boots and shoes in Springfield. 8w2

Thousands are daily having freckles removed by a trial of Lady Camelia's Secret of Beauty. Price 50 cents, at Allen's Pharmacy. 1 4w y29

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Is in store for all who use Kemp's Balsam for the throat and lungs, the great guaranteed remedy. Would you believe that it is sold on its merits, and that each druggist is authorized to refund your money by the proprietor of this wonderful remedy if it fails to cure you? O. P. Allen has secured the agency for it. Price 50 cents and $1. Trial size free. 1y16cow

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MARRIED.

At Palmer, 12th, by Rev. E. A. PERRY, WILLIAM MILLER and ELLA M. SMITH, both of Palmer.

At Wilbraham, 18th, by Rev. M. S. HOWARD, Col. BENJAMIN BUTLER of North Wilbraham and Mrs. ANTOINE H. SAVAGE of Indian Orchard.

At Denver, Col., 17th, FRANK H. COOLIDGOTH of Hollidaysburg, Pa., and STELLA J. HOMER of Bloomington, Ill., both formerly of Brimfield.

DIED.

At Monson, 7th, Serge GEORGE R. MOULTON, 25.
At Ware, 8th, MARY E., 25, wife of Charles E. Howe.
At North Wilbraham, 17th, Mrs. ROYAL RINDGE, 91 years 5 months and 22 days.

TO RENT—A tenement on Fox Avenue belonging to the heirs of the late Mrs. Owen.
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.—HAMPDEN ss. June 16th, 1884.

By virtue of an execution which issued on a judgment recovered at the District Court of Eastern Hampden, holden at Palmer, within and for said county, on the seventeenth day of May, A. D. 1884, in favor of Chester W. Chaplin and James A. Bamrill, both of Springfield, in said county, executors of the last will and testament of Franklin Morgan, late of said Palmer, deceased, and against Erastus Newport of Monson, in said county, I have taken all the right, title and interest that the said Erastus Newport had on the 14th day of February, 1882, the day when the same was attached on mesne process, in and to certain real estate situate in Monson, in said county of Hampden, bounded and described as follows, to wit: On the east side of the highway leading from the Dwight Moulton place, so called, by the State Primary School, bounded as follows: Beginning at a stake and stones on the east line of said highway about three or four rods northwest of the house on said premises, thence south 14½° east 22 rods to stake and stones at the edge of some sprout land of the late Daniel Fosket, thence north 75½° east 21¼ rods on a stone wall on the edge of said sprout land to a stake and stones, thence north 14½° west 22 rods to a stake and stones, thence south 75½° west 21¼ rods to the first mentioned bound, containing about 3¾ acres of land, more or less; also another tract of land lying north and east of the above described premises, and bounded as follows, viz: Beginning near the height of land southeasterly of said dwelling house at pile of stones, thence south 76½° west ten 56-100 rods to stakes and stones, it being the southeast corner of the first described tract, thence north 12° west 22 rods to a pile of stones on a rock, thence south 76° west 21 4-10 rods to the highway, thence north 13½° west 10 12-100 rods, and north 24½° west 6 8-10 rods, and north 13½° west 15 84-100 rods to A. J. Northrop's land, thence north 86½° east in said Northrop's and Samuel N. Ward's line to a pile of stones on a long rock, thence in a straight line to first mentioned bound, containing nine acres one hundred and one rods of land, more or less, and on the eighteenth day of July, 1884, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, in front of the court house, in said Palmer, I shall offer for sale by public auction, to the highest bidder, said real estate above described, and all the right, title and interest of the said Erastus Newport therein.

J. A. PALMER, Deputy Sheriff.
Palmer, June 16, 1884. 3w12

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I am longing
For the end of mortal pain;
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I am longing
For the rest that doth remain.

I am longing,
I am longing
For the appearing of the Lord;
I am longing,
I am longing
For the promise of His Word.

I am longing,
I am longing
For the opening of the Book;
I am longing,
I am longing
Into its mysteries to look.

I am longing,
I am longing
To sit down at Jesus' feet;
I am longing,
I am longing
There, departed ones to meet.

I am longing,
I am longing
With the palm branch in my hand;
I am longing,
I am longing
On the crystal sea to stand.

I am longing,
I am longing
To receive my heavenly crown;
I am longing,
I am longing
At His feet to cast it down.

I am longing,
I am longing
With the ransomed throng to sing;
Hallelujah!
Hallelujah!
Praises to my Saviour, King.

—*H. V. D. in Watchman.*

CHEWING GUM.

Bennington, Vt., has the distinction of having the largest dealer in the world in genuine spruce gum. His average sales of this commodity reaches 12,000 pounds annually. The business can only be successfully carried on from about October 1 to June 1, as the hot weather would cause the gum to run together and solidify into masses, which would greatly impair its appearance and commercial value. The largest portion of the gum is obtained in Canada, though considerable quantities are procured in New Hampshire, Maine and Vermont. Nearly seventy-five persons are employed more or less in certain months gathering and cleaning the gum. The gum gatherers go many miles into the forest, erect a cabin and stay long enough for each to collect 100 pounds. Upon their return home the women and children free the gum of all dirt and bark and sort it into different grades. A woman by hard work can clean about ten pounds a day. The gum is procured by means of a pole in sections similar to a fishing rod, having a chisel at one end and beneath that a cup which will hold almost half a pint. A mass of gum at almost any height along the trunk of a tree may be reached and caught in a cup. It is a singular fact that when the crop of gum has been closely gathered in any particular section the trees ever afterward refuse to exude gum in paying quantities. The lumberman, the blight, the incendiary and the gum-gatherer have made such havoc among the spruces that in a few years more gum in free supply will almost cease to be an article of commerce. Boston consumes the most spruce gum of any city in the United States, though Chicago follows closely upon "the Hub." Frequently orders are from chewing or "yanking" parties in Maine. The parties consist of young people, and he who chews the longest and loudest receives as a prize the entire supply of gum ordered for the occasion.

A SOAP CAPER.

A very successful swindle, operated by street peddlers, is what is technically known as the "soap caper." Any common soap will wash the dust out of a grease spot, and a person is apt to come to the conclusion that the stain itself has been taken out, until more dust accumulates on the grease and he finds himself mistaken. For the purposes of the swindle two fellows will buy a lot of cheap soap and cut it up into small pieces, which are daintily perfumed and nicely wrapped in fancy colored paper. This is all the stock in trade needed, except a generous allowance of cheek. One of the fellows dresses himself up like a dude and generally combats himself so that everybody to whom he appeals makes fun of him. Perhaps he does sell a few pieces of the soap, for it appears to do what is claimed for it, but he purposely makes such an ass of himself that nobody wants to trade with him. Soon, when he is boasting of how much soap he can sell in a day, a common-looking fellow in the crowd calls out: "Well, why don't you sell it then?" and at once they get into a wrangle, which is ended by the plain fellow betting that he can sell more soap in ten minutes than the proprietor of the stand can sell in half an hour. The bet is generally quite a large one, and as sympathy is entirely with the common-looking fellow the crowd comes to his support and he rapidly sells out his share of the soap and finally also disposes of the greater share of the other's packages. It is almost needless to say that the fellows are confederates and are playing into each other's hands. Two good operators can make tremendous profits by working this game and they run no risk of being arrested.—*Boston Courier.*

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The advice would apply to the garden of life—
'Tis so seldom we see our own weeds—
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And counting their many misdeeds—
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Let us pull our own weeds and work with a will,
While yet there is one to be found,
Nor point o'er the way in derision until
We have carefully tilled our own ground.
For watching the faults of others we see
Not the ones in our own hearts so rife;
Let us pull for ourselves—let others' weeds be
Till we can clean our own garden of life.

GOING DOWN HILL.

"That looks bad," exclaimed Farmer White, with an expressive shake of the head, as he passed a neglected garden and broken-down fence, in one of his daily walks.

"Bad enough," was the reply of the companion to whom the remark was addressed.

"Neighbor Thompson appears to be running down hill pretty fast. I can remember when everything around his little place was trim and tidy."

"He always appeared to be a steady, industrious man," rejoined the second speaker. "I have a pair of boots on my feet at this moment of his make, and they have done me good service."

"I have generally employed him for myself and family," was the reply, "I must confess that he is a good workman; but, nevertheless, I believe I shall step into Jack Smith's this morning and order a pair of boots of which I stand in need. I always make it a rule never to patronize those who appear to be running behindhand. There is generally some risk in helping those who won't help themselves."

"Very true, and as my wife desires me to see about a pair of shoes for her this morning, I will follow your example and call upon Smith. He is no great favorite of mine, however—an idle, quarrelsome fellow."

"And yet he seems to be getting ahead in the world," answered the farmer, "and I am ready to give him a lift. But I have an errand at the butcher's. I will not detain you."

At the butcher's they met the neighbor who was the subject of their previous conversation. He certainly presented rather a shabby appearance, and in the choice of his meat there was a regard to economy which did not escape the observation of Farmer White. After passing remarks the poor shoemaker took his departure, and the butcher opened his account book with a somewhat anxious air, saying, as he charged the bit of meat:

"I believe it is time that neighbor Thompson and I came to a settlement. Short accounts make long friends."

"No time to lose I should say," remarked the farmer.

"Indeed. Have you heard of any trouble, neighbor?"

"No, I have heard nothing, but a man has the use of his own eyes, you know, and I never trust any one with my money, who is evidently going down hill."

"Quite right, and I will send in my bill this evening. I have only delayed on account of the sickness the poor man has had in his family all winter. I suppose he must have run behind a little, but still I must take care of number one."

"Speaking of Thompson, are you?" observed a bystander, who appeared to take an interest in the conversation. "Going down hill is he? I must look out for myself, then. He owes me quite a snug sum for leather. I did intend to give him another month's credit, but on the whole I guess the money would be safer in my own pocket."

Here the four worthies separted, each with his mind filled with the affairs of neighbor Thompson, the probability that he was going down hill, and the best way of giving him a push.

In another part of the little village similar scenes were passing.

"I declare," exclaimed Mrs. Bennett, the dressmaker, to a favorite assistant, as she hastily withdrew her head from the window, whence she had been gazing on the passers-by, "if there is not Mrs. Thompson, the shoemaker's wife, coming up the steps with a parcel in her hand. She wants me to do her work, I suppose; but I think it would be a venture. Every one says they are running down hill, and it is a chance if I ever get my pay."

"She always has paid us promptly," was the reply.

"True, but that was in the days of her prosperity. I cannot afford to run any risk."

The entrance of Mrs. Thompson prevented further conversation.

She was evidently surprised at the refusal of Mrs. Bennett to do any work for her, but as great pressure of business was pleaded as an excuse, there was nothing to be said, and she soon took her leave. Another application proved equally unsuccessful. It was strange how busy the village dressmakers had suddenly become.

On the way home, the poor shoemaker's wife met the teacher of a small school in the neighborhood, where two of her children attended.

"Ah, Mrs. Thompson, I am glad to see you," was the salutation. "I was about calling at your house. Would it be convenient to settle our little account this afternoon?"

"Our account?" was the surprised reply. "Surely the term is not yet expired."

"Only half of it, but my present rule is to collect my money at that time. It is a plan which many teachers have adopted of late."

"I was not aware there had been any change in your rules, and I have made arraugements to meet your bill at the usual time. I fear that it will not be in my power to pay it sooner."

The countenance of the teacher showed great disappointment, and as she passed on in a different direction she muttered to herself:

"Just as I expected. I shall never see a shilling. Everybody says they are going down hill. I must get rid of the children in some way. Perhaps I may get a pair of shoes or two for payment for the half quarter, if I manage right; but it will never do to go on in this way."

A little discomposed by her interview with the teacher, Mrs. Thompson stepped into a neighboring grocery shop to purchase some trifling article for family consumption.

"I have a little account against you. Will it be convenient for Mr. Thompson to settle it this evening?" asked the polite shopkeeper as he produced the desired article.

"Is it the usual time for settling?" was again the surprised inquiry.

"Well, not exactly, but money is very tight just now, and I am anxious to get all that is due to me. In future I intend to keep short accounts. There is the little bill, if you would like to look at it. I will call round this evening. It is but a small affair."

"Seven pounds is no small sum to us just now," thought Mrs. Thompson, as she sadly pursued her way toward home.

"It seems strange that all these payments must be met just now, while we are struggling to recover from the heavy expenses of the winter. I cannot understand it."

Her perplexity was increased by finding her husband with two bills in his hand, and a countenance expressive of anxiety and concern.

"Look, Mary," he said, as she entered.

"Here are two unexpected calls for money—one from the doctor, and the other from a dealer in leather, from whom I purchased my last stock. They are both very urgent for immediate payment, although they have always been willing to wait a few months until I could make arrangements to meet their claims. But misfortunes never come single, and if a man gets a little behindhand, trouble seems to pour in upon him."

"Just so," replied the wife. "The neighbors think we are going down hill, and every one is ready to give us a push. Here are two more bills for you—one from the grocer, and the other from the teacher."

Reply was prevented by a knock at the door, and the appearance of a lad who presented a neatly folded paper and disappeared.

"The butcher's account, as I live!" exclaimed the astonished shoemaker. "What is to be done, Mary? So much money to be paid out and very little coming in; for some of my best customers have left me, although my work has always given satisfaction. If I could only have as much work as usual, and the usual credit allowed me, I could soon satisfy all these claims; but to meet them now is impossible, and the acknowledgement of my inability would send us still farther on the downward path."

"We must do our best and trust in Providence," was the consoling remark of his wife, as a second knock at the door aroused the fear that another claimant was about to appear.

But the benevolent countenance of Uncle Joshua, a rare but ever welcome visitor, presented himself. Seating himself in the comfortable chair that Mary hastened to hand to him, he said, in his eccentric, but friendly manner:

"Well, good folks, I understand the world does not go as well with you as formerly. What is the trouble?"

"There need be no trouble," was the reply, "if men would not try to add to the afflictions which the Almighty sees to be necessary for us. The winter was a trying one. We met with sickness and misfortunes, which we endeavored to bear with patience. All would now go well if those around us were not determined to push me in the downward path."

"But there lies the difficulty, friend Thompson. This is a selfish world. Everybody, or at least a great majority, care only for number one. If they see a poor neighbor going down hill, their first thought is whether it will affect their own interests; and provided they can secure themselves, they care not how soon he goes to the bottom. The only way is to keep up appearances. Show no signs of going behindhand, and all will go well with you."

"Very true, Uncle Joshua; but how is this to be done? Bills which I did not expect to be called upon to pay for the next three months are pouring in upon me. My best customers are leaving me for a more fortunate rival. In short, I am on the brink of ruin, and a miracle can save me."

"A miracle which is very easily wrought then, I imagine, my good friend. What is the amount of your debts which press so heavily upon you, and how soon, in the common course of events, could you discharge them?"

"They do not exceed twenty-five pounds," replied the shoemaker; "and with my usual run of work I could make things all right in three or four months."

"We say six," was the answer. I will advance you forty pounds for six months. Pay every farthing you owe, and with the remainder of the money make some slight addition or improvement in your shop or house, and put everything about the place in its usual neat order. Try this plan for a few weeks, and we will see what effect it has upon our worthy neighbors. No, no; never mind thanking me. I am only trying a little experiment on human nature. I know you of old and have no doubt that my money is safe in your hands."

Weeks passed by. The advice of Uncle Joshua had been strictly followed, and the change in the prospects was indeed wonderful. The shoemaker was now spoken of as one of the most thriving men in the village, and many marvelous stories were told to account for the sudden alteration in his affairs.

"It was generally agreed that a distant relative had bequeathed to him a legacy, which had entirely relieved him of pecuniary difficulties. They had never before realized the beauty and durability of his work. The polite butcher selected the best pieces of meat for his inspection, as he entered, and was totally indifferent as to the time of payment. The teacher accompanied the children home to tea, and spoke in high terms of their improvement, pronouncing them among her best scholars. The dressmaker suddenly found herself free from the great press of work, and in a friendly note expressed her desire to oblige Mrs. Thompson any way in her power.

"Just as I expected," exclaimed Uncle Joshua, rubbing his hands exultingly, as the grateful shoemaker called on him at the expiration of six months, with the money which had been loaned him in the hour of need. "Just as I expected. A strange world! They are ready to push a man up hill if he seems to be ascending, and just as ready to push him down if they find that his face is turned that way. In future, neighbor Thompson, let everything around you, as far as you can with honesty, wear an air of prosperity, and you will, with blessings on your honest endeavors, be sure to prosper. To secure this end you need not be extravagant, or make such a show as will not allow of anything being put in the savings bank against a rainy day."

And with a satisfied air, Uncle Joshua placed his money in his pocket-book, ready to meet some other claim upon his benevolence, while he whom he had thus befriended, with a cheerful countenance returned to his happy home.—*British Workman.*

A NATIONAL FAILURE.

"Well, Uncle Pete, how are you this morning?"

"Po'ly, Boss, monsus po'ly. Ize dun 'bus up entirely. De thunshal sitarwation am mighty low down."

"Broken up, are you? Why, that is too bad." "Yes, sah: me an' ole Gin'ral Grant an' seb'ral mo' of de patri'ts hab been bus' by speckylation."

"Why, Uncle Pete, I didn't know you had anything too loose."

"Thousan's ob dollahs, sah, thousan's of good hahd dollahs, an' dey's all gone."

"Has your cabin gone?"

"No, Boss, dat 'long ter my wife."

"Well how about the cow, and the pig and the mule?"

"W'y, dey's all right, dey was all 'signed ter de children w'en I made that 'sinement."

"Then how could you loose anything?"

"W'y, dis way. Yer knows, boss, dat dollah w'at yer gib me las' time I seed yer."

"Oh! yes. I generally remember an occurrence of that nature after every time I meet you."

"Well, I dun 'wested dat ar dollah in a lottery ticket ter draw de hunnered-thousan' dollah prize."

"And what did you draw?"

"Nuthin', boss. I jess los' dat hunnered thousau' dollahs, cl'ar, an' Ize all broke up."

"This is really too bad, and you have my sympathy, but it does not amount to another dollar this time. What do you propose to do about it?"

"Ize gwine ter 'ply ter de gubment fur 'lief. My son, Sam, he say de gubment oughter gib me dat hunnered thousan' dollahs, but I reckon I'll be satisfied wid a pension an' a reserb seat in de so'jer's po'-house."

"Why, what claim have you on the government? Didn't it pay you for your services, give you a bounty, and free you from slavery besides?"

"Dat am so, Boss; but den I fit fur de country; consequently, w'en I bus' up in my speckylations hit am a nash'nal 'saster. I tells yer, Boss, Ize lookin' fur de gubment ter come up mighty promp' wid de 'lief fur me, fur dis amer great nash'nal failure."—*Texas Siftings.*

DID NOT SUCCEED.

It takes two to make a slander—one to listen, the other to report. If mankind would act as a Russian General once did, the race of scandal-mongers would die of enforced idleness.

A Russian once tried to tell Skobeleff of certain scandalous reports about him.

"One of your officers," he began, "is spreading lies about you. May I give you his name?"

"No, no; not a word," answered the General sharply. "My officers fought like heroes. I love them. One word of mine was sufficient for their going willingly to death."

When the Russian, thus silenced had left the room, Skobeleff called his servant, and asked:

"Did you notice well that face?"

"Yes, General."

"If so, then remember that for that man I am never at home, never! Do not forget my order!"

GUESTS.—Don't invite them if you don't want them.

Don't run into debt to entertain them in style.

Don't show them off too publicly if they happen to be distinguished individuals, and don't hide them if they are poor relatives.

Don't change the complexion of your family prayers to match the religion to which they happen to belong.

Don't tell them every minute to make themselves at home, but make your home so home-like that they can't help feeling at home.

Now is the time of year when the newly-fledged graduate hesitates between becoming an editor right off or going as waiter in a summer hotel.—*Boston Post.*

THE LABORATORY THAT JACK BUILT.

This is the laboratory that Jack built.

This is the window in the laboratory that Jack built.

This is the glass that lighted the window in the laboratory that Jack built.

This is the sand used in making the glass that lighted the window in the laboratory that Jack built.

This is the soda that, melted with sand, compounded the glass that lighted the window in the laboratory that Jack built.

This is the salt, a molecule new, that furnished the soda that, melted with sand, compounded the glass that lighted the window in the laboratory that Jack built.

This is the chlorine of yellowish hue, contained in the salt, a molecule new, that furnished the soda that, melted with sand, compounded the glass that lighted the window in the laboratory that Jack built.

This is the sodium, light and free, that united with chlorine, of yellowish hue, to form common salt, a molecule new, that furnished the soda that, melted with sand, compounded the glass that lighted the window in the laboratory that Jack built.

This is the atom that weighs twenty-three, consisting of sodium so light and free, that united with chlorine, of yellowish hue, to form common salt, a molecule new, that furnished the soda that, melted with sand, compounded the glass that lighted the window in the laboratory that Jack built.

This is the science of chemistry that teaches of atoms weighing twenty-three, and of sodium metal so light and free, that united with chlorine, of yellowish hue, to form common salt, a molecule new, that furnished the soda that, melted with sand, compounded the glass that lighted the window in the laboratory that Jack built.—*Chemical News.*

A QUAKER'S REVENGE.

"The saintliest face I ever saw, except that of old Bishop McIlvaine, was that of an old Quaker friend of mine in the days of anti-slavery agitation. His face, fresh as a girl's, gentle as a woman's, had a massiveness that made it impressive. Rarely, even in the stormiest times, did he utter a harsh word or give voice to a belligerent sentiment. But on one occasion a fellow opposed to him politically presumed too far on this avoidance of trouble. He met the old gentleman in a wood lot where two or three men were cutting down trees, and abused him and his cause roundly.

"The old Quaker stood it for some time, but at last turned on his tormentor with, 'I will not smite thee, but I will make thee mightily uncomfortable,' and seizing the the belligerent Democrat he raised him to the level of his shoulders and sat him down hard on the stump of a tree that had just been cut down. In the center of this stump there were dozens of splinters and slivers projecting upward, and he left his enemy impaled upon these, while he walked away with unruffled demeanor. No one ever presumed upon the old fellow's saintliness of look after that."—*Chicago Inter-Ocean.*

WHAT RUM WILL DO.

Some years ago, in one of the counties of New York, a worthy man was tempted to drink until drunk. In the delirium of drunkenness, he went home and murdered his wife in the most brutal manner. He was carried to jail while drunk, and kept there during the night. Awakening in the morning, and looking around upon the bare walls, and seeing the bars upon the windows, he exclaimed:

"Is this a jail?"

"Yes, you are in jail," answered some one.

"What am I here for?" was the earnest inquiry.

"For murder," was the answer.

"Does my wife know it?"

"Your wife know it?" said some one. "Why, it was your wife you murdered."

On this announcement he dropped suddenly, as if he had been struck dead. Let it be remembered that the constable who carried him to jail sold the liquor which caused his drunkenness; the justice who issued the warant was one of those who signed his license; the sheriff who hung him also sold liquor, and kept a ten pin alley.

THE NOBLE ART OF SELF-DEFENSE.—"Do you think it would be wrong for me to learn the noble art of self-defense?" a religiously inclined Somerville youth inquired of his pastor.

"Certainly not; I learned it in my youth myself, and I have found it of great value during my life."

"Indeed, sir. Did you learn the old English system, or Sullivan's system?"

"Neither. I learned Solomon's system."

"Solomon's system?"

"Yes, you will find it laid down in the fifteenth chapter of Proverbs: 'A soft answer turneth away wrath.' It is the best system of self-defense of which I have any knowledge."—*Somerville Journal.*

"I have made a thousand dollars during the last three months," said a saloon keeper, boastfully, to a crowd of his townsmen. "You have made more than that," quietly remarked a listener. "What is that?" "You have made wretched homes—women and children poor, and sick, and weary of life. You have made my two sons drunkards," continued the speaker, with trembling earnestness: "you made the younger of the two so drunk that he fell and injured himself for life. You have made their mother a broken-hearted woman. O, yes; you have made much more than I can reckon up, but you'll get the full count some day—you'll get it some day!"

A man with a discolored eye, upon being asked what had occasioned the marks, replied in the following pregnant sentences: "Bruce had recourse to the sword; Tell to a bow and arrow; but when a woman strikes for liberty she uses anything she can lay her hands on. Flat-irons are the handiest things in our house."

Good Night.

God keep you safe, my little love,
All through the night;
Rest close in His encircling arms
Until the light.
My heart is with you as I kneel to pray,
Good night! God keep you in His care alway.

Thick shadows creep like silent ghosts
About my head;
I lose myself in tender dreams,
While overhead
The moon comes stealing through the window bars,
A silver sickle gleaming 'mid the stars.

For I, though I am far away,
Feel safe and strong
To trust you thus, dear love—and yet—
The night is long—
I say with sobbing breath the fond prayer,
Good night! Sweet dreams! God keep you everywhere.

THE STEAMER AMERICA.

A new and splendid Atlantic steamer, built of steel, named the America, arrived at this port on the 5th of June, after the very rapid passage of a little more than 6½ days from Queenstown. The ship belongs to the National Line, between New York and Liverpool. On this, her first voyage, she averaged a velocity of over 18 miles an hour for six consecutive days, and on one of the days made 477 miles, being 20 miles an hour for the day, less 3 miles. The probability is she will improve on this speed; a very little improvement will place her at the head of this class of fastest steamers.

The America is 450 feet long, 51¼ feet beam, 36 feet depth. Engines three cylinder compound, one 63 inches, and two 91 inches; stroke 66 inches. Piston valves on all the cylinders. Seven boilers and 39 furnaces. Working steam pressure, 95 pounds; 9000 developed horse power. This ship is built specially for speed and passenger service. Her accommodations are superb.

The only steamer that has exceeded the speed of the America is the Cunarder Oregon, which made the passage in 6 days 10 hours and 10 minutes. The general public looks chiefly to the speed attained, but ship-owners will be interested to know that although the Oregon arrived in five and a half hours less time, her consumption of coal was 337 tons each day, while the America burned only 190, a difference of 147 tons a day. The Oregon carried 120 engineers, firemen and coal heavers, while the America required but 92. The difference of expense in the engine room alone is not far from $450 a day while under steam, $3150 for each passage, and $75,600 for the year. The Oregon developed about 16,000 horse power, while the America developed less than 9000. These figures show conclusively that the speed of the America is due entirely to her model. She is the first ship that has been built on a model looking to the passenger traffic almost exclusively for profit.

She has twelve bulkheads so arranged that she could float even if two compartments were filled by a collision. She carries 10 large life boats. The America is commanded by Capt. R. W. Grace. Mr. William Dover is chief engineer. The America carries 332 seamen in her forecastle, 92 men, all told, in her engine room, and 82 cooks and stewards.

The National Line has carried about 1,000,000 passengers across the Atlantic since it was organized, and has never lost a life.—*Scientific American.*

USEFUL HINTS.

Sand paper will whiten ivory knife handles that have become yellow.

Ashes or lime hilled around the trunks of peach trees keep down the bark worm.

More butter is spoiled by being overworked than by not being worked enough.

Beets and carrots are very handy and may be sown as soon as the frost is out of the ground.

Rub a mixture of lard and sulphur on the backs of such calves as are afflicted with vermin.

An ointment made by mixing carbolic acid, or coal oil and lard, is sure death to vermin on poultry.

Plenty of leached ashes may be worked into the soil where beets are to be grown, with excellent results.

A poultry fancier says that barrenness in eggs is more frequently caused by a lack of green food than anything else.

Garget or caked bag is often a trouble that goes along with the best cows of the herd. The following is recommended as a cure: Eight drops of tincture of aconite dropped on a piece of bread and mixed with the food at night. Next morning four drops more given in the same manner will generally complete the cure.

MR. BILLINGS IN HIS ALMANAC FOR 1879.

A man with a very small hed on him iz like a pin without enny, very apt to get into things beyond hiz depth.

An enthuziast iz a party who beleaves about 4 times az much az he kan prove, and who kan prove about 4 times az much az enyboddy elzs beleaves.

How kan yu expekt to find two people in this world who are alike when yu kan't even find one who iz alike half the time.

There ain't nothing that a man will thrive so well on az abuse that ain't merited.

Whenever yu cum akrost a man who distrusts everyboddy, yu hav found one whom it iz safe for everyboddy to distrust.

The man who never makes enny blunders iz a very nice piece ov mashcenery—that's all.

There iz 2 things in this world for which we are never fully prepared, and that iz—twins.

A timid man has married a lady whose weight verges closely upon 200 pounds. "My dear," he says to her, "shall I help you over the fence?" "No," says she to him, "help the fence!"

A shrewd old lady in Louisville, contrasting a century ago with the present, said: "Then we had golden sermons in wooden pupits; now we have woodeu sermons in golden pulpits."

THE BANG DOOMED.

The decadence of the bang is announced. A matter of such importance cannot be ignored. In all ages the dressing of the hair has occupied the feminine mind to a large extent. The Talmud informs us that Eve in the Garden of Eden, at the dawning of the world, curled around her rosy fingers the silken ringlets that fell upon her pearly shoulders when she observed the approach of Adam through the trees. Even St. Paul, in his powerful epistles, draws attention to the fact that hair is the adornment of woman and a charm that she should glory in. Tarquin became enamored of Lucrece when he saw her shimmering tresses kiss her blushing cheeks as she bent over her spinning wheel. Napoleon became infatuated when his eyes rested upon the raven coils of Josephine. In view of the potent charms attached to "Only a Woman's Hair," the general public will be interested in learning that bangs are fast disappearing from the foreheads of the fair leaders of fashion. A few years ago a young lady without bangs would have been as obsolete as a 3-cent postage stamp. Now one who wears bangs is looked at askance, as much so as if she appeared in a dashing jockey costume. The bang is out of date. It has served its purpose, and must go. The new styles are the Saratoga wave and the Grecian coil. The Saratoga wave is a revival in a modified form of the custom which prevailed twenty-five years ago, when ladies were wont to part their hair in the middle and bring it down in two semi-circles from the centre of the forehead, covering the ears, and fastening it at the back of the head. The new style makes the curve toward the back of the head begin at the temples. The effect is to bring out the attractive features of the face and conceal bulging foreheads and creased temples. The Grecian coil is a skilful twisting of the hair at the back of the head. It has a very charming effect, and makes a pretty woman perfectly irresistible when she turns her back.—*Atlanta Constitution.*

JAY GOULD'S GRAVE STONE.

No name appears on the most costly and striking mausolenm in Woodlawn cemetery. The structure is in Central avenue, on the highest elevation in the grounds, and commands a view of the entire 400 acres of the cemetery. The circular plot, 250 feet in diameter, in which it stands, cost $60,000. The mausoleum, exclusive of the ground, cost $50,000. It is a model, exteriorly, of the pantheon, the most famous of the wonderful buildings that once stood in the Acropolis at Athens. It is 37 feet in length and 19 feet in width. It is constructed of Westerly granite, surrounded by 30 Doric pillars. The solid bronze door cost $3000. The roof is composed of five pieces of solid granite, each piece 30 feet in length and six feet in width—rare products of the quarry. The total amount of stone used was 800 tons. The opened door reveals an aisle 10 feet in width, at the end of which is an oruate stained-glass window, representing the heavenly choir, through which a soft, mellow light pours upon the interior like the subdued light of a cathedral. There are 12 catacombs, six on each side of the aisle, arranged for the reception of one body each. Each catacomb is eight feet in length and two feet and a half in depth. The face of each catacomb is a heavy slab of polished marble. The colors of the slabs vary. Some are native stone, and some imported; all are costly. Heavy bronze handles are embedded in each stone. The ceiling of the vault is of polished marble. The owner positively refused to have his name appear anywhere on the exterior of the building. This is the elaborate provision which has been made by Jay Gould for the disposition of his body after his death.

DON'T LIKE THE MINISTER.

"I don't like the minister!" That settles the matter. If you don't like the minister, you have no duties to perform. Not liking the minister absolves you from all responsibility. The fact that you "don't like the minister" releases you from your vows. If you are a steward or trustee, you need not take any further interest in the financial affairs of the congregation. The fact that the people entrusted you with certain duties, which you engaged to perform, is neither here nor there if you "don't like the minister." Of course you needn't pay anything if you "don't like the minister." Certainly not. The easiest of all ways to get rid of supporting the church and its ordinances is simply to say, "I don't like the minister." Of course you need not go to the prayer-meeting; why should a man pray if he "doesn't like the minister?" There are a number of reasons why some "don't like the minister." Some of these reasons are good, no doubt; but many are the reverse. Neither the good nor the bad absolve a hearer from his duty. Perhaps it would be presumption to ask why you "don't like the minister?"—*N. Y. Christian Advocate.*

Sam Kalleton, a member of the Arkansas Legislature, was very fond of offering amendments to bills introduced. That was the limit of his legislative capacity. One morning, after a night's hilarity, he entered the legislative hall just as the chaplain was asking Divine aid. The old man took a chew of tobacco and listened attentively until the chaplain closed his petition with an affective recitation of the Lord's prayer. "Mr. Speaker, said the old man, arising, "I move to strike out the words 'daily bread' and insert 'as much bread as may be found necessary for twenty days.' We have already done enough for the flood sufferers."

When a paper starts out with the express purpose of filling "a long-felt want," it fills it from one to four months, beside filling the editor with disgust and his pocket-book with patent medicine orders, and then—the end.

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 27, 1884.

Fourth of July Extra.

On Saturday morning, July 5th, we shall publish a Fourth of July edition, giving a full account of the exercises of the day at the dedication of the Monson soldiers' monument, with accounts of the day's doings in the surrounding towns. Be sure and order a copy of your newsdealer at an early day.

A new tax law in Louisiana imposes a tax of $5 upon journalists, and the worst of it is that the unfortunate victim can't pay in old papers, patent medicines or prize pumpkins, but must trot out the cash. Editors in search of a new opening will not look for it in that benighted state, we'll warrant.

Gov. Robinson was not made an LL. D. by Harvard College this year. Neither was Gov. Butler last year. At that time the Democrats made a great fuss over the "slight" to their patron saint, but no one thinks of complaining on behalf of our present executive. On the contrary, it is felt to be a step in the right direction for the college to be less liberal with its degrees, saving them for those who have attained especial legal or literary distinction.

Congress will adjourn without doing anything in regard to the count of the electoral votes for president and vice president. The senate long ago passed Senator Edmund's bill, an able and just measure, which recognizes the rights of the states to the fullest extent, and which would have given the election to Tilden had it been in force in 1876. But the Democrats in the House would not accept this measure, which might easily have become a law, but have passed another bill, which overrides the rights of the states and greatly enlarges the power of Congress. This cannot pass the Senate, and consequently no law will be enacted at this session.

Senator Sherman sharply criticised the Republican platform in a speech in the United States Senate, Monday, denouncing Senator Ingalls' attempted amendment to the Mexican pension bill, which, if adopted, would take some $250,000,000 from the treasury. This monstrous bid for votes —for it was nothing else—was made in conformity with the demand for that sort of legislation in the platform adopted at Chicago, but Senator Sherman refused to recognize the authority of a platform thrown together in a few hours' time on a sweltering hot day by 42 men, most of whom had never seen each other before. The senator well said that "no government could endure, if it should attempt to pay all claims and arrears of claims arising out of its misfortunes," and "a soldier who had for 20 years waived his right to a pension had no moral right now to embarrass his government." The amendment was defeated, but the bill itself, as passed by the Senate, will add ten or twelve millions a year to the cost of government.

CAMPAIGN CRUMBS.

Gov. Cleveland is laid up with the rheumatism.

New Haven had a lively anti-Blaine rally Monday evening.

Mr. Blaine has 11 relatives in the public service, and Gen. Logan has 14.

If elected, will Mr. Blaine select Roscoe Conkling for his secretary of state?

Senator Logan is the first nominee for vice president since Johnson who has not been a widower.

Senator Hoar's reply to an interviewer's inquiry as to Mr. Blaine's chances for election: "Good evening, sir."

Congressman Poland of Vermont is weary of the cares of office, and disappointed at the nomination of Blaine, and declines a renomination.

Prof. Silliman would rather have Blaine for president, with the Republican party back of him, than George Washington, backed by the Democrats.

Blaine and Logan have been officially notified of their nomination this week, by the committee appointed for that purpose, and each accepted the honor in a short speech. The formal letters of acceptance will follow later.

A good many Republicans are sitting on the fence these days, with a strong inclination to get down on the opposite side from that on which they have been training. Still, they do not find matters very inviting over that side, and will keep their airy and comfortable seats for the present, waiting the developements of the campaign.

The Republican state committee met at Boston, Tuesday, and decided to issue an address to the voters of the state at an early date. The reports from different parts of the state were "lovely," and the defection on account of the nominations was talked over, it being decided to treat the erring ones kindly, in the hope of winning them back.

Bro. Blaine is an interesting person, but he has a great many mighty unpleasant friends. He is in a deal of bad company, and he seems to be at home in it.—*N. Y. Sun.*

Nothing is more astonishing in the Blaine canvass than the deliberate contempt which is shown for the intelligent sentiment of the party and the country. Not only the platform itself, but the utterances of the Blaine journals and speakers make it an impossibility for a Republican of intelligence and education to support the party ticket without losing his self-respect.—*N. Y. Evening Post.*

A Republican working man gave his reasons for apposing Blaine, at the anti-Blaine meeting in New Haven as follows:

Workingmen have a very narrow margin above the high cost of living, and we object to Blaine because we don't want any brilliant military policy which will crush us as the military systems of Europe crush workingmen there. The trades union congress of Europe have been protesting against this military system as their greatest burden. Our narrow margin above distress is lessened by high federal taxation. We hear that there is a surplus of $100,000,000. A Republican commission reported that taxes could be reduced from 20 to 25 per cent without hurting us. It was reduced only 3 per cent. Now the most definite thing the Republican platform says to us about taxes is that the party favors a "readjustment" of the duty on what is necessary to every workingman—wool. We also think Blaine has been identified with corrupt monopolies such as do most harm to workingmen.

Both Harvard crews were beaten in the aces at New London yesterday afternoon.

THIS, THAT, AND THE OTHER.

The waiter at the summer hotels is not the one who takes the order, but the one who gives it.

Our exchange desk was not visited by the Framingham *Tribune* last week. Wonder if it was because Brother McPherson found those ads?

It is said that John L. Sullivan has a desire to go to Congress. This is his latest hit, though he would doubtless be willing to strike some heavy blows in the fight.

Almost every day we see articles in the papers saying that a crime has been committed, caused by bad rum. This is too bad. If a man can't get good rum, he ought not to drink any, as nothing will get away with a man quicker than *bad* rum.

"See here, Ned; I've got an idea in my head," remarked Charlie, who had just been to the barber's and had his hair cut in the latest style. "Have you?" replied Ned. "Well, you'd better keep your hat on or you'll lose it; your hair isn't long enough to tangle it up a great deal."

"Harry" writes: "Is it bad manners to urge a young lady to take a second dish of cream after she has once refused?" We are afraid it would be, but bless your innocent little heart, you can't have been on the turf a great while not to know that you never will be given such a chance.

Brother Morse, of the Marlboro *Times*, has come out ahead in his libel suits, the jury standing 11 to 1 in his favor for 15 hours. The case will probably not be tried again, as the Rev. C. F. evidently "knew a point or two," and made it decidedly uncomfortable for the plaintiffs.

"Jones, old boy, what's the matter with you? You look quite down-hearted." "Fact is, Brown, I've just received a little bill from my tailor." "Oh, don't let that worry you; just tell him you'll pay him next week; won't that suit him?" "Well, it may suit him but I don't think it will suit me."

An exchange publishes an article in which it claims that the white, soft hands in which young ladies take so much pride are no longer fashionable, but that brown and calloused hands are the proper caper. This is a noble effort to get the girls to do the washing and spring house cleaning, but we are afraid it won't work.

Queer, isn't it, how a woman will be around cleaning windows, scrubbing the front steps, out to the butcher's cart, etc., all the forenoon, in an old faded wrapper and old shoes with holes in both ends, but who after dinner you couldn't even get to go out in the back yard unless she has on the best the establishment affords.

"How does this weather strike you?" asked one citizen of another, when the thermometer was among the nineties a day or two ago. "Perfectly lovely; couldn't be better," he responded, mopping the perspiration from his face and wringing the water out of his handkerchief. "Why, you must be a salamander to take comfort in such an atmosphere as this!" "Not at all. I only run an ice cream saloon." "Oh, I see."

A New York firm has invented a burial casket made of paper, which they claim is better than wood. Economical men will now save up the numbers of their weekly paper for a couple of years and then have them made into a casket for use after death. Care should be taken, however, to see that the labels on the papers are dated a year ahead, as St. Peter wouldn't be apt to recognize a fellow who came along with a shroud he had cheated the printer out of.

We "rise to remark" on having been able to present to our readers the result of the Chicago convention within a short time after the final ballot, having held our forms some time in order to obtain the latest news. With the exception of the Somerville *Journal*, none of our exchanges of last week announced the result.—PALMER JOURNAL, June 13th.

We "rise to remark" that we have always entertained a high opinion of the JOURNAL, and feel sorry that Brother Fisk does not consider the *News* one of his exchanges.—*Gardner News.*

We again "rise to remark" that it is our aim to give all "honor to whom honor is due," and therefore gladly credit the *News* with giving the convention result on the week above referred to. The *News*, we would say, *is* one of our exchanges, and we congratulate it on its recent successful birthday.

The Boston & Albany railroad company is to put up a number of elegant new depots along its line within a short time. A new union depot of granite is in process of erection at South Framingham, to cost about $50,000, and a stone structure 60x22 feet is to be built at West Brookfield at an expense of $7000, and to be ready for occupancy by September 1. A similar building will also be put up at Brookfield, though it will not be completed until some months later, owing to some necessary changes in freight buildings. Mellenville, on the Hudson & Chatham branch, and Adams, on the Pittsfield & North Adams branch, will also have new depots of brick, soon.

An old cobbler at Birmingham, Ct., the other day, while repairing an old pair of shoes that had been left with him, discovered in the heel of each the chambers of a 32-caliber revolver, loaded with some grayish powder resembling dynamite. He was much alarmed, and threw the chambers in the river.

A workman employed by the B. & O. Telegraph company left a package containing eight rolls of dynamite on a box at the station in Bristol, Ct., the other day, where it was carelessly handled by a number of persons, none of whom knew what it was, and the danger which they ran.

The trustees of Leicester academy, at Leicester, Mass., one of the oldest academies in New England, are preparing for the centennial celebration, to be held on September 4th. Former pupils are requested to send their names to Hon. C. A. Dewey, Leicester.

An editor of a sheet at the City of Mexico, who had published an article which the officials did not like, was seized Sunday, taken to Vera Cruz and put on board a New York steamer without being allowed to see his friends or dispose of his effects.

While off the eastern coast a few days ago a boat's crew of six men from a fishing vessel was attacked by a sword fish, which drove its weapon through the side of the boat in its fury, and made a desperate fight before it was finally captured.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

Very comfortable since the rain.

The banks will be closed next Friday.

What are you going to do the Fourth?

Watermelons have arrived in the local market.

Wednesday's rain washed the roads badly in some places.

Sandpapered heads are quite numerous among the young men in town.

Mrs. J. H. Woolrich has gone to spend the summer with friends near Halifax, N. S.

The Palmer Carpet Company has declared a 3 per cent semi-annual dividend payable the first of July.

Owing to a hot box, the evening train from New London was some three-quarters of an hour late last Saturday.

Let us know if you or your friends are going out of town for a few weeks. We always like to know those items.

Remember this is the last week that the subscription books for "Palmer Illustrated" will remain open. They close July 1st.

Frank L. Brooks had his horse severely injured by breaking out the side of his stall last night, and getting tangled up in the ruins.

The mumps tackled a grocery clerk in the east end of the Converse House block this week, and he has been taking a vacation in consequence.

One man in town has shot about forty woodchucks this season, "just for the fun of it." The farmers ought to pass him a vote of thanks.

Quite a number of Knight Templars from this place joined the excursion which went from Springfield to the Catskill mountains on Wednesday.

D. F. Holden has commenced work on his new house on North Main street, between the residences of Joseph Thompson and S. H. Hellyar.

A new postal law has gone into effect, allowing transient papers, etc., to be sent at the rate of one cent for every four ounces, or fraction thereof.

Joseph Thompson has raised the roof on the L of his Main street residence, making that portion two stories high, and added other improvements.

Walter M. Greene, living on the road to Wilbraham, had three of his best cows killed by lightning while in the pasture Wednesday afternoon.

The telephones at the State Primary School, Weeks House and Edgerton & Davis's were burned out by the lightning during Wednesday's storm.

C. P. Stone has purchased a fine span of horses to draw the coach which he is now compelled to run between the Nassowanno House and the depot.

Do not forget the promenade concert at Wales Hall this evening, given by the pupils of the high school. They promise to make it a pleasant evening for all.

The rain of Wednesday caused washouts in several places under the plank walk which extends from the depot to Main street, necessitating their being filled in again.

A slight accident to the engine delayed the first east-bound express Tuesday evening. It left here some 35 minutes late, delaying the accommodation a short time.

An infant son of Patrick Crowley, living on the road to Thorndike, was drowned on Sunday by falling into a tub of water which was standing at the corner of the house.

When you go on your summer vacation be sure and keep informed about what is going on at home by having the JOURNAL sent to you while you are away. We will send it to any address.

The selectmen have appointed as registrars of voters for this town: For three years, James O. Hamilton of Thorndike; two years, Joseph Thompson of Palmer; one year, Elisha Chase of Three Rivers.

Commencing with this evening the restaurant at the depot will keep open until 9 o'clock in the evening, and Barr's ice cream will hereafter be kept on hand, which will no doubt be appreciated by many of our citizens.

The lawn sociable which was to have been held with Mrs. F. M. Eager this afternoon and evening will be postponed until next Wednesday on account of the high school exercises. Another chance for ice cream before the hot Fourth.

The trustees of the Palmer Savings Bank have declared a semi-annual dividend of 2½ per cent, payable July 1st. The bank is growing steadily in strength and prosperity from year to year, and now has deposits amounting to $682,000, a guaranty fund of $10,000, and undivided profits $11,954.

Mrs. M. K. Ferrell, well known to our residents as "Grandma" Ferrell, celebrates her 83d birthday to-morrow. She is enjoying excellent health for one of her years, being much better than a year ago, and would be glad to see any of her friends who may call on her to-morrow, at Dr. Stowe's.

The annual exhibition of the Palmer high school commenced at Wales hall this afternoon at 2 o'clock. We go to press too early to give an account of the exercises, but judging from the programme they are, as has always been the case, of an excellent character. But two pupils graduate this year—Miss Lena M. Brown and Miss Helen L. Robinson.

The Converse House has again changed hands, Mr. Beverly not finding the business profitable. Who the new proprietor is to be we cannot state, but certainly wish him success. This house has had hard luck for some time, and is not very extensively patronized by the traveling public, who are hard to win over when a house once loses favor with them.

No celebration in this place this year on the Fourth. The Grand Army post and a good many of our citizens will doubtless go to Monson to the dedication of the soldiers' monument, others will have a private celebration all to themselves, and the stores will doubtless be closed a portion of the day. Taken altogether the Fourth promises to be a dull day in Palmer.

Mrs. Emma I. Weeman of the telephone exchange, has resigned her position, and goes into the office of the Flynt Building and Construction Co., the first of July. Mrs. Weeman has had charge of this exchange from the time of opening, giving the fullest satisfaction to its patrons, who will very much regret to learn that she is to leave. We do not know who will take her place.

M. W. French has the large new barn on his farm just west of the village completed, and the old one has been taken down. Mr. French has made many improvements on this farm, and the buildings upon it, until it is the model one in this section. A dam has been put across the brook which runs between the road and the railroad, making a large pond, from which Mr. French will cut ice during the winter, for his own use.

While on a liquor raid a few days ago, the officers discovered, in what was claimed to be a private apartment, evidences which went to show that it had been used for gambling purposes. A center table with chairs around it, cards, and three or four dozen chips were found, while on a sideboard were glasses and bottles. We have since been told that poker has been extensively played there, quite a number of our young men being participants in the game.

Next Friday being the "day we celebrate" and also our publication day, we shall go to press 24 hours earlier than usual. We are aware that by this course our readers will have THE JOURNAL thoroughly digested by Saturday night, and so be deprived of their Sunday literature, but the printers must celebrate as well as other classes. Our correspondents will please bear this in mind and send in their communications so they will *reach us* not later than the first mail Thursday morning.

The contemplated changes in the bank building have been begun this week. The partition between the room occupied by Wood's crockery store has been removed, the new counter, continuous with that in the old banking room, is in position, and the savings bank work is now done over the new counter, on the east side of the room. It will be some little time before the changes are fully completed, but it is already evident that the new room will be a vast improvement upon the old one, and the customers will appreciate the greater convenience of the new arrangement quite as much as the officers of the institution.

Next Monday the New London Northern railroad commences the running of its "Block Island Train," which will leave Amherst at 6 a. m., reaching this place at 6.50 and leaving for New London at 7, where it is due at 9.20, connecting with the steamer "Block Island" for Osprey Beach, Lyle's Beach and Watch Hill, arriving at Block Island at 12.30 p. m. Returning the steamer will leave the Island at 2.15, arriving at New London at 5.30, and connecting with the train which reaches here on its return trip at 8.10 p. m., and leaves for Amherst at 8.50. This gives people in this vicinity an opportunity for a day at the beaches, or a pleasant sail on the salt water at small expense.

The much needed rain has come at last. A small introductory shower fell Tuesday night, but about noon Wednesday, the clouds commenced to gather, and the shower broke shortly before one o'clock. So rapidly did the rain fall that in five minutes water was running in all the gutters, and for half an hour the sewers were not capable of carrying off the water. After a short let-up another hard shower fell about half past two, after which it settled into a steady pour which lasted until late next morning. The lightning was frequent and vivid during the two hard showers, and its effects have been felt in several places. The amount of good which this rain has done cannot be estimated. The crops, which were in great danger from the drought, have received a new impetus, and the streams, which were running low, are now filled to the brim, much to the delight of mill owners.

DISTRICT COURT.

The court was occupied the first part of the day yesterday with the case of Nelson Whiton of Monson, charged with fraudulently conveying personal property. He was found guilty, and fined $10 and costs of $8.40, but appealed.

The next case was that of William Mason, charged with stealing a shovel from Andrew Mitchell. The case furnished considerable amusement for the spectators, and the defendant was discharged.

Michael Nelligan of Ludlow was then assessed $3, and costs of $5.26, for an assault, which he paid, and was allowed to go.

This morning O. J. Smyth, who has just finished a sentence for running off with J. T. Stevens' horse of Monson, pleaded guilty to the crime of fornication, and was sent to the house of correction for three months.

LUDLOW.

While hoeing recently, Alexander Whitney found an old Spanish coin of the date of 1723, in a good state of preservation.

WILBRAHAM.

The Rockville ball club has secured G. E. Knowlton, he having signed to play with them for the rest of the season.

The horse belonging to Gilbert Pease, which was stolen last week, was found in Somers, Ct., where it had been exchanged for another one.

BONDSVILLE.

The Flynt Building & Construction Co. began work on the new bleachery Tuesday.

Quite a heavy thunder storm passed over this place Wednesday. A barn belonging to John Quirk was struck by lightning, damaging it slightly. A cow was in the barn at the time, but escaped with only a slight lameness.

BRIMFIELD.

The tax rate is $14.50 on $1000, the same as last year.

Willie Dion, 12 years old, was drowned while bathing on Sunday.

The Ladies' Union of the Second Congregational church had a strawberry and ice cream festival at the town hall Tuesday evening.

The graduating exercises of the class from the Hitchcock Free High School were held at the Congregational church this afternoon, commencing at 3 o'clock.

PALMER CENTER.

Mrs. King has about 20 boarders at present and more are expected the first of July.

A sad case of drowning occurred near this place last Sunday evening, the two-years-old child of Patrick Crowley being drowned in a cistern standing near the house. The mother was out in the yard with the child, but leaving it a few minutes went to the barn. Upon returning to the yard she did not see the child, and upon going to the cistern found that he had pitched in head first. She at once drew him out, but death had already ensued.

BELCHERTOWN.

The farmers are rejoicing that the rain came in season to save them from drouth.

The warm weather has brought a goodly number of city people to the village, and more are expected.

The Methodist church is undergoing thorough repairs inside and out, by plastering, painting, putting in partitions and replacing the steeple which they were obliged to take down a few years since, as it was unsafe. The work is being done under Mr. Shannon's supervision.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

The river was raised sufficiently to give the mills several days' run.

Preaching at the Chapel Sunday at 6 p. m., by Rev. G. W. Mansfield.

During the severe storm Wednesday afternoon one of the track hands was prostrated by a bolt of lightning striking the track, but fortunately escaped harm.

Beacon Star Division S. of T. elected the following officers for next quarter: W. P., E. H. Cutler; Asst., Fannie Stebbins; R. S., Will J. Howes; Asst., Nellie Ferris; F. S., Mrs. E. W. Wall; treasurer, J. A. Parks; chaplain, B. R. Chase; Con., Silas Ives Wallace; asst., Jessie Gott; I. S., Nellie Perkins; O. S., Frank W. Rice; P. W. P., Jason Butler; representatives to grand division: E. H. Cutler, J. Butler, Fred Pease, E. W. Wall.

WEST WARREN.

E. C. & D. Buxton have purchased a building lot from Mr. Carter, and will soon commence the erection of another two-tenement House.

John Strickland, one of the old residents, died on Friday last, after a short illness, at the age of 82 years. His remains were taken to Warren for burial.

The foundation of Herbert Loiselle's house on Chapel street is nearly completed, and the building, under the personal superintendence of the owner, will be rapidly pushed forward as soon as the lumber arrives.

St. Jean Baptiste Societe held its second annual dance in Washington Hall on Monday evening. The evening's entertainment proved a source of great enjoyment to a very full house, and the proceeds were also satisfactory.

WEST BRIMFIELD.

Farmers are beginning to smile again since the rain.

Norman S. Powers is having his house painted by Mr. Hines of Brimfield, and it will be a decided improvement to the place when finished.

An old barn near the saw mill, belonging to C. L. Alexander, was destroyed by fire Monday afternoon, by some children playing with matches. Loss slight.

Lightning entered a room in which Station Agent King and his wife were sitting the other day, exploding with a loud report in the sink. Mr. and Mrs. King escaped injury, and no damage was done to the building.

An old lady, 102 years of age, the maternal grandmother of Frank St. George of this place, arrived from Canada, Wednesday evening. Mr. St. George's ancestors are remarkably long lived. His paternal grandfather, said to be 104 years of age, is still living in Canada.

THORNDIKE.

E. E. Wilson and family of Hartford, Ct. are visting friends here.

Rev. M. B. Angier of Newburyport will supply the Congregational pulpit next Sunday.

The Bondsville band enlivened and delighted our villagers Monday evening with good music.

The brick work on the tower of the new mill is completed, and the workmen are putting on the roof.

T. H. Johnson, boss dyer, has changed the color of his horse again, black, brown, white, bay, and now chestnut, have been the shades within a short time past. Query: Are the colors fast? Applied hot or cold?

The Thorndike Orchestra has arranged for a grand picnic on the Fourth, to be held in the grove near the Catholic church. There will be a foot race, potato race and jumping, a gold-lined prize mug being offered to the winner of each contest. A platform has been erected for dancing, and refreshments will be provided.

WARREN.

S. P. Robbins, the insurance agent, is quite ill.

The farmers are much rejoiced over the late rain.

Isaac Stevens has the heaviest crop of hay of any one in this vicinity.

Myron Warriner and Charles Deland have finished their course at the medical school in Boston.

The Universalists held a Sunday school concert on Sunday evening, which was very fairly attended.

William Jay, employed at the pump works, while at work Monday evening had his arm severely cut.

Sabbath school concert at the Congregational church next Sunday; missionary concert one week later.

The graded sidewalks have proved quite an accommodation now we are being favored with rain and soft walking.

On account of the storm Wednesday, the ladies of the M. E. society postponed their intended supper and entertainment.

The rain of Wednesday did an immense amount of good in this vicinity, and it also washed the roads in some localities.

Steven Avery, night foreman at the pump works, has gone with a party of friends on a trip to Canada, to visit the scenes of his boyhood.

The house of Mr. Babbitt on East street was struck by lightning last week and somewhat damaged, but fortunately no one was injured.

Joseph Pero's youngest son, while playing with his brothers in a hammock last Saturday, fell to the ground and was quite seriously injured.

Mr. Pratt, superintendent of schools, and teacher of the high school, was presented at the close of school with a picture enclosed in a handsome frame of plush, by the graduating class of '84.

Thomas Flannery, for upwards of thirty-years a much respected resident of this place, died on Wednesday last. His funeral took place on Friday, and was the largest but one ever seen in Warren.

The Universalist church last Sabbath was handsomely decorated with flowers. An interesting service was the baptism of a number of children, to each of whom the pastor presented a white rose. The concert in the evening was largely attended and of much interest.

The cases of Michael Shea and C. S. Dean, for illegal liquor selling, which were appealed from the local court, were brought up at Worcester, on Tuesday, and the sentence of the lower court sustained, and the extra costs added, with the alternative of 12 months in jail.

At the regular meeting of the S. of T. last Tuesday evening the following officers were elected:—W. P., F. P. Warren; W. A., Sarah Martin; F. S., H. P. Bliss; treas., Fannie Chaffee; R. S., L. A. Wallace; A. R. S., Annie Clark; chaplain, W. H. Boughton; conductor, H. Underwood; A. C., Julia Carley; J. S., J. M. Campbell; O. S., J. Goodrich; trustee; E. F. Nye.

MONSON.

Some exciting horse racing on Main street Tuesday evening.

S. F. Cushman, Alanson N. Chaffee and Carlos L. Peck are appointed registrars under the new law.

The high and other schools have closed, and the teachers and scholars will now have the summer vacation.

Rev. Albert Hammatt will preach in Central Hall next Sunday morning. There will be no evening service.

The prospect now is that a sprinkling cart will water the Main street from the Academy to Bills' store, much to the joy of the general public.

As we have no fire engine or fire extinguishers it is to be hoped that all will use caution, and carefully avoid anything which might lead to disaster on the Fourth.

The board of health have published a list of regulations for the better protection of the community against disease, and if heeded much sickness may thereby be prevented.

There are only a few copies of last week's JOURNAL left, containing the poem read by Mr. Prentiss at the academy reunion, and those who desire a copy will do well to secure one at once.

Last Sunday afternoon Rev. Alex. Dight preached at the Munn school house. Services are also being established in other parts of the town, and at each of these places he will preach once a month.

J. M. Fagan has sold his fish and oyster business in Green's Block to Arthur and Everett Maguire, who will continue business, and no doubt receive the patronage heretofore accorded to the former owner.

At the M. E. church next Sunday morning, Rev. Mr. Dight will preach on temperance: "Shall the Church and the Devil go Partnership?" In the evening the subject will be "Failures of Life; their Cause and Cure."

The assessors have completed their labors and given the warrant to D. G. Potter, tax collector. The total valuation is $1,405,308, an increase of $26,000 from last year. Number of polls, 890. The state, town and county tax is $21,534.28, and the rate $14.20 per $1000.

The floral service at Central Hall last Sabbath evening was an unusually pleasant meeting, and the crowded settees necessitated opening the gallery. In the morning the hall was very tastefully trimmed with flowers, and after an appropriate sermon there were exercises by the children, seventeen being consecrated.

Last Monday evening a large number of people, mostly young, gathered at the M. E. church and formed a spare minute reading circle. Officers and committees were chosen, and the circle enters upon its work with enthusiasm. It will meet once in two weeks and will also have a number of picnics and excursions during the summer. The object is to improve the spare minutes in gathering useful knowledge, and it is hoped that many more people in the town, both young and old will join the circle.

Names of scholars in the intermediate department of School No. 1, who have been perfect in attendance during the past term—Helen Tucker, Minnie Smith, Lula Cummings, Mary Barlow, Gracie Felton, Ada Smith, Alice Park, Willie Meacham, Willie Naughton, Arthur Anderson, Harry Chapin, Robert Feather, Archie Merchant, Charles Marriott, Fiske Bacon, Arthur Walker, Nellie Stacy, Emma Fitzgerald, Blanchie Anderson, Annie Parker, Arthur Rice, Willie Burdick, Timmie Coughlin, Willie Fitz. Grammar—Maud Stacy, Mabel Fay, Hattie Stacy, Sadie Parker, Sarah Keefe, Henry Miller, Harvey Brockbank, John Lynch, George Marriott, Willie O'Brien. In No. 1 Primary—Minnie Anderson, Florence Bugbee, Katie Birmingham, Ida Corttis, Carrie Chapin, Julia Coughlin, Maud Fitgerald, Alice King, Julia Keefe, Esther Keep, Mary Meacham, Edith Niles, Julia O'Brien, Nellie O'Brien, Edith Rathburn, Mary Ryan, Katie Ryan, Ethel Rood, George Bugbee, Lukie Closson, Charlie Felton, Daniel Gallivan, Clarence Naughton, Arthur Orcutt, Robbie Park, Eddie Peck, Mary Ellen Theresa Sullivan. In the South Monson primary school—Jennie Belden, Florence Maynard, Rosie Squier, Frank Abott, Eddie Bradway, Harry King, Ralph Darling, Willie Moulton, Ralph Munn, Willie Sullivan, Ola Hathaway, Eva Pike, Grace Woodruff, Harry Bradway, Allen Buffington, Johnny Hanley, Hugh McGuire, Arthur Moulton, Freddie Moores, Willie Nelson, Frankie Shaw. In grammar No. 8—Lena Church, Laura Bates, Alice Bliss, Josie Leonard, Annie Corcoran, Mary McCormick, Delia Gaven, Willie Hughes, Chas. Abbott, Henry Lukeman, Irving Jefts, Chas. Ricketts, Allie Mack.

THE FOURTH IN MONSON.

The committee of arrangements for the coming dedication of the soldiers' monument are perfecting arrangements which will no doubt make the 4th of July a memorable event in Monson. The governor and staff will be present, and from twenty to thirty G. A. R. posts from various localities. General Chamberlain of Maine will deliver the oration. Dr. George E. Fuller will be president of the day, and A. A. Gage chief marshall, with a corps of able assistance. Twenty-five posts, probably 1500 men, including the City Guards of Springfield, Capt. Southmayd, and Battery B. of Worcester, Capt. Allen, together with eight bands and drum corps, carriages for invalid soldiers, the governor and staff, orator and invited guests will make up the procession, which will form on Main street at 10½ o'clock, march from Main to Lincoln, from Lincoln to Green, thence through Bridge to Hampden street and Oak, thence to South Main, Main to North Main, thence to Pleasant, thence to the monument, where the post dedicatory services will be held. Thence the line of march will be to Flynt Park, where the oration will be delivered and the dinner provided. After the usual speech-making and toast-giving the Springfield City Guards and Battery B. of Worcester will give exhibition drills. The Battery will fire a sunrise salute, and a governor's salute on his arrival. There will be a grand display of fireworks at the park in the evening, also an open air concert by the 3d Regt. Band. Most of the citizens have ordered bunting and flags for decorating their residences and places of business, and undoubtedly all will interest themselves in having everything in keeping with the day and occasion.

The 3d Regiment Conn. Infantry Band will furnish the music for the occasion, assisted by bands and drum corps of the various visiting posts. The citizens have responded cheerfully for aid in carrying out the programme, and if the day is pleasant it is probable there will be a larger concourse of people than ever visited Monson before. The firing of explosives from 7 a. m. to 7 p. m. on that day is prohibited, and it is intended to avoid all demonstrations that might cause accidents or mar the exercises of the occasion. Trains will be run on the N. L. N. R. R. hourly. Seats for 1500 invited guests will be provided in the dining pavilion, under the charge of W. H. Bugbee, and P. B. Moore and Eugene Farrell will also have large tents and supplies for the accommodation of the multitude.

WARE AND VICINITY.

The Societe St. Jean Baptiste has disbanded.

The prize at the skating rink for the best lady skater was awarded to Miss Lizzie Feehan.

N. W. Norton of Buffalo, former teacher in our high school, has been in town for a few days the past week.

The managers of the skating rink have put in a new stage, 40 by 20 feet, for the use of theatrical and concert troupes.

The Otis Co.'s new mill has been stopped a few days the past week to allow the workmen to get the new engine in place.

Herbert H. Turner, one of the late graduates of the high school, has taken the place of Elliot E. Cleveland at G. K. Cutler's.

Henry Utely has gone into the ice cream business, freezing it by steam at his laundry, and peddling it in Ware and Gilbertville.

A busy place is in the vicinity of the Geo. H. Gilbert Mfg. Co.'s counting room, where preparations are in order for a new weave shed.

The sermon by Rev. B. V. Stevenson on the subject of "The Wheat and the Chaff," postponed from last Sunday, will be given next Sunday evening.

E. H. Gilbert and C. C. Hitchcock returned on Monday from their trip to Maine and New Brunswick, several shades darker in complexion than when they started.

The roads were badly washed by the heavy rain of Wednesday, and from the same cause William B. Lawton's brick yard and unfinished brick were damaged to the extent of about $150.

C. A. Tuttle, principal of the high school, has presented as prizes: To Miss Mary A. Reilly, Green's History of England, 4 vols., for the highest standing in French, and to Miss Annie L. Hills, Macauley's Essays, 4 vols., for highest standing in reading.

Dr. John Yale's case of illegal liquor selling came before the court at Northampton the past week, when he was convicted and fined $75 and costs, amounting to a total of nearly $150, besides lawyers' fees, which must have been heavy, considering the eminent talent employed.

Wm. E. Lewis preached in Ware Center last Sunday morning, and in the evening gave a very interesting account of the progress of Christian work in Wisconsin by the Young Men's Christian Association, of which he is state secretary. He left on Tuesday for his home in Wauwatosa.

The rum demon had so taken possession of Proctor Ward that forbearance ceased to be a virtue, and he was arrested, taken to Northampton on the charges of assault on his wife, drunkenness, and being a common drunkard; found guilty of all three, and sentenced to five months and ten days' imprisonment.

Under the new law passed by the last Legislature, the selectmen have appointed a board of registrars of voters, consisting of Franklin D. Richards for three years, John W. Clark for two years, and Henry O. Robinson for one year, who, together with Alma F. Richardson, the town clerk, comprise the full board.

About one o'clock on Wednesday afternoon the lightning struck and fired a small barn belonging to the Geo. H. Gilbert Mfg. Co., where was kept the horse with which they do their trucking. The fire department was quickly on hand and no damage done outside of the building. The shock was felt by persons in different parts of the village, and quite severely by those near by.

Miss Emma V. Hall, for several years teacher in our public schools, and for the past year teacher of the North street grammar school, will soon start for Honolulu, Sandwich Islands, where she will have charge of a preparatory school. It is with regret that we make the above announcement, as we believe Ware is to lose one of her most efficient teachers, who has so successfully won the hearts of her pupils. Miss Hall's mother, Mrs. Chapin, will accompany her.

The Sunday school concert under the superintendence of Geo. M. C. Barnard at the Unitarian church last Sunday afternoon was a most pleasing and interesting one. The front of the pulpit and platform was most beautifully and tastefully trimmed with flowers and plants; there was an arch of evergreen over the pulpit bearing the words: "Children are a heritage of the

Lord," while in front was an easel composed of white daisies, on which rested a picture of the Madonna and Child Jesus. The exercises were all good; but one, from the sentiment and feeling manner in which it was rendered, by Mabel Winter, one of the little ones, seemed to produce an effect that must be productive of good. It was entitled "Whosoever," and we give it in full:

"There were children on the floor,
Coming Bible verses o'er.
'Which word, all the Bible through,
Do you like best?' said Sue.
'I like Faith best,' said one;
'Jesus is my word alone.'
'I like Hope,' and 'I like Love,'
'I like Heaven, our home above.'
One, more small than all the rest:
'I like Whosoever best—
Whosoever, that means all,'
Even I who am so small—
Whosoever.' 'Oh! I see;
That's the word for you and me.'
Whosoever will may come,
Find a pardon and a home."

At the close of the concert Rev. B. V. Stevenson, the pastor, in an interesting and impressive service, christened seven little ones, four being his own grandchildren. Some of the little ones gave expression to their good nature by remarks in baby cooing that caused, several times, looks of love and pleasure to run over the whole congregation.

A PLEA FOR THE PARTY.

Correspondence of the JOURNAL.

Editor of the Journal:—As an original Massachusetts man, I desire to extend my sympathy and condolence to the old friends in the Bay State over the nomination of Blaine and Logan as the standard bearers of the Republican party in the coming quadrennial campaign. Some of us out in Iowa, where Blaine's popularity is the greatest, and where he is sure to win, would greatly have preferred the nomination of Edmunds, or Harrison, or Hawley, to that of Blaine. But we do not think it wise or patriotic to sacrifice the principles at stake and risk the perils of a change of administration, in such an important crisis as this, because we cannot have our choice as to the man who shall be the leader of the host.

I notice with serious apprehension the declared purpose of some of the influential men and papers at the East to bolt the nomination, and, with it, the distinctive principles of the Republican party, for the present, at least, and to turn their influence to the election of some other man—personally more acceptable to them—(if the Democrats shall be wise enough to nominate such a man,) and, with him, practically, to indorse and put into power the men of violence and misrule, who, both before and since the war, have done so much to undermine the peace and prosperity of the nation.

It seems to me that the Philadelphia *American*, a staunch advocate of civil service reform, and strongly opposed to the nomination of Mr. Blaine, now that the nomination is made, irrevocably, shows the true wisdom and the right spirit in yielding its preference, and pledging its loyal support to the party and its candidates. It says, in an able article: "The strength of Mr. Blaine's nomination lies in the fact that it was desired by the great majority of Republicans in the Republican states. This is a fact beyond reasonable dispute. In these columns we had questioned the propriety of his nomination, on the ground of availability; but the convention, fairly chosen, and proceeding with fairness and deliberation, has demanded him. This is a decision which must be final. There can be no appeal from it, if we are to continue party organization and party methods of action. To this conclusion, therefore, our judgment leads: That there is no room for any Republican who respects the orderly and honest decision of the national convention, to do otherwise than give Mr. Blaine his cordial and energetic support. We accept the Chicago decision, and shall give it our loyal support."

I can but hope that Massachusetts will yet see the way clear to do the same. It would be a sad and pitiful reflection if, through her failure to support the regular nominee, she should be found to have been coöperating with Mississippi and South Carolina to place in power the very rebels she once fought so nobly to subdue.

I did not take my pen to argue the case, but simply to express my personal convictions and my desire for the continued triumph of the party of liberty, law, and government "of the people, by the people, and for the people." Faithfully yours,

M. K. CROSS.

WATERLOO, Iowa, June 20.

About 70 Chinese of the Mt. Vernon church Sunday school at Boston, accompanied by friends to the number of 200, had their third annual excursion on Monday, going to Nantasket Beach, where dinners, speeches, singing, and a general good time were indulged in.

It is now announced that Sara Bernhardt will make another professional trip to this country during the season of 1884-85, under the management of Henry E. Abby, the New York theater manager.

The steamship Arizona, which arrived at New York, Monday evening, brought 506 men, women and children, who were on their way to Utah as converts to the Mormon religion.

J. C. Oliver, a member of the Yale University nine, was hit behind the ear with a pitched ball while practicing on Monday morning, knocked senseless, and it is feared fatally injured.

The councilmen of Omaha have impeached the mayor of the city for drunkenness, incompetency, neglect of duty, bribery and corruption, and conniving to render the law inoperative.

A man who was locked up in the Lynn police station Saturday night, made two attempts at suicide by hanging himself with strips which he tore from his shirt.

The president of the Newark, Del., Brick company left for parts unknown on Monday, taking $5000 with him, and leaving the workmen minus their wages.

A band of dangerous counterfeiters at Wilkesbarre, Pa., who were coining silver dollars, has been broken up by the arrest of four of its members.

A Chicopee pastor informed the children to whom he was preaching the other Sunday that Christ was a bachelor.

NEWS MORSELS.

There were in May 713 deaths in Boston.

The hotel business in New York is overdone.

There are 123 incorporated clubs in New York.

Utica, N. Y., has a reading room exclusively for girls.

Arkansas has 1200 white and 800 colored school teachers.

Japan has only 10,000 paupers in a population of 30,000,000.

Commodore Garrison of New York has failed for about $5,000,000.

Colorado contributes 100,000 colts to the country's resources this year.

Mayor Harrison of Chicago is on the war path against the Chicago gamblers.

The British army has 63,050 Englishmen, 14,215 Irishmen and 2856 Scotchmen.

The Mayall rubber works in Malden, recently burned, will be rebuilt at once.

Canada exported $1,705,000 worth of butter and $6,451,000 of cheese last year.

Mormondom has got an average of 1500 people a year from Denmark for 30 years.

Orderlies in the Italian army now use the bicycle in the performance of their duties.

It costs the 35,000,000 of people in England about £880,000,000 per annum to live.

The average rate of speaking in the United States Senate is 150 words a minute.

Chicago dudes have begun to wear patches of court plaster to set off their complexions.

One steamer which sailed from New York for Europe last week carried eleven clergymen.

George Bancroft, the historian, who is over 80 years old, is a rapid horseback rider.

The ex-soldiers and sailors of Washington gave Gen. Logan a serenade Saturday night.

The average ocean steamer burns 100 tons of coal a day, and some twice as much.

Albany city fathers are struggling with an ordinance excluding bicycles from the streets.

A Virginia cat is reported to be rearing two young foxes along with her litter of kittens.

A bass weighing 84 pounds was caught in the Hudson near New Hamburg the other day.

New York dressmakers predict very few extravagant and costly toilets at the watering places.

It is now said that the substitution of iron for wooden sleepers on railways is only a question of time.

The little Ohio town of Mt. Clements makes 45,000 miles of straw braid a year and gets $50,000 for it.

A woman in Germantown, Pa., has deserted her husband because he persisted in playing on the trombone.

Paymaster A. S. Kenny of Vermont has been recommended for promotion to be Pay Inspector of the U. S. Navy.

There is strong evidence of the existence of petroleum in paying quantities along the Tombigbee River in Alabama.

An English landlady cheerfully announces good accomodations in "a healthy, pleasant spot near Lord Beaconsfield's tomb."

Cotton mills in this country that were worth $40,000,000 in 1830 rose to $141,000,000 in 1870, and to $208,000,000 in 1880.

The suite of the Czar of Russia consists of 105 adjutant-generals, 86 major-generals a la suite, and 104 aids-de-camp; in all 315.

There is a real Jacob in Hillsdale, N. Y. He is to work seven years for a farmer there, just to marry his daughter at the finish.

Three firemen were buried beneath a falling wall during a fire at Williamsburg, N. Y., on Sunday. Two were killed and one severely injured.

John Wallace, a sub-contractor on the Baltimore & Philadelphia railroad at Elkton, Md., skipped out without paying the workmen last week, and they came near lynching his son in consequence.

A young man at Streetsboro, O., was buried to a depth of 50 feet by the caving of a well in which he was working last Saturday, and was dead before he could be rescued.

The city of Worcester is making great preparations for celebrating its bicentennial next October, and has recommended an appropriation of $5000 for the purpose.

Patrick Kirnan shot his landlord, Peter McCormick, dead at New York on Sunday, because he demanded the rent due him.

General Philo Clark Turner died at Louisville, Me., last Friday, aged 80 years.

Haynes & Co., Springfield, offer $20 suits for $10, and $12 and $14 suits, your choice for $8. An alarm clock is given with each $10 purchase.

Paine's furniture factory and salesrooms, near the Maine Depot, Boston, has the largest and most extensive stock of nice parlor and chamber sets to be found. If you cannot see them send for an illustrated price list.

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Ask for "Rough on Coughs," for coughs, colds, sore throat, hoarseness. Troches, 15c; Liquid, 50c.

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"Wells' Health Renewer" restores health and vigor, cures Dyspepsia, Headache, Nervousness, Debility; $1.

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O. P. Allen, the druggist, is always wide-awake to business and spares no pains to secure the best of every article in his line. He has secured the agency for Kemp's Balsam for Consumption, Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, and all affections of the throat and lungs. Sold on a positive guarantee. Price 50 cents and $1.00. Trial size free. cow17

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At Palmer, 22d, a son to HENRY S. THOMAS.
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At Monson, 18th, a daughter to J. C. and AMBIE M. WING.
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And if he wins the fight
We hope he will do right.
But to secure his election
We have some time for reflection.
Meantime we all want food—
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.—HAMPDEN ss. June 16th, 1884.

By virtue of an execution which issued on a judgment recovered at the District Court of Eastern Hampden, holden at Palmer, within and for said county, on the seventeenth day of May, A. D. 1884, in favor of Chester W. Chapin and James A. Rumrill, both of Springfield, in said county, executors of the last will and testament of Franklin Morgan, late of said Palmer, deceased, and against Erastus Newport of Monson, in said county, I have taken all the right, title and interest that the said Erastus Newport had on the 14th day of February, 1882, the day when the same was attached on mesne process, in and to certain real estate situate in Monson, in said county of Hampden, bounded and described as follows, to wit: On the east side of the highway leading from the Dwight Moulton place, so called, by the State Primary School, bounded as follows: Beginning at a stake and stones on the east line of said highway about three or four rods northwest of the house on said premises, thence south 14½° east 22 rods to stake and stones at the edge of some sprout land of the late Daniel Foskett, thence north 75½° east 21¼ rods on a stone wall on the edge of said sprout land to a stake and stones, thence north 14½° west 22 rods to a stake and stones, thence south 75½° west 21¼ rods to the first mentioned bound, containing about 3¾ acres of land, more or less; also another tract of land lying north and east of the above described premises, and bounded as follows, viz: Beginning near the height of land southeasterly of said dwelling house at pile of stones, thence south 76¼° west ten 56-100 rods to stakes and stones, it being the southeast corner of the first described tract, thence north 13° west 22 rods to a pile of stones on a rock, thence south 76° west 21 4-10 rods to the highway, thence north 13¾° west 10 12-100 rods, and north 24½° west 6 8-10 rods, and north 13¾° west 15 84-100 rods to A. J. Northrop's land, thence north 86¼° east in said Northrop's and Samuel N. Ward's line to a pile of stones on a long rock, thence in a straight line to first mentioned bound, containing nine acres one hundred and one rods of land, more or less, and on the eighteenth day of July, 1884, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, in front of the court house, in said Palmer, I shall offer for sale by public auction, to the highest bidder, said real estate above described, and all the right, title and interest of the said Erastus Newport therein.

J. A. PALMER, Deputy Sheriff.
Palmer, June 16, 1884. 3w12

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Monson, Mass., June 20, 1884. 3w12*

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SLEEPING DRAUGHTS.

Recently the dangerous and lamentable habit of promiscuously taking sleeping draughts has unfortunately become very prevalent, entailing misery and ill-health to a terrible degree. Most persons addicted to this destructive practice erroneously think that it is better to take a sleeping draught than lie awake. A greater mistake could hardly exist. All opiates occasion more or less mischief, and even the state of stupefaction they induce utterly fails to bring about that revitalization resulting from natural sleep. The physiological effects of hypnotics or sleeping draughts upon the system are briefly as follows: 1. They paralyze the nerve centers and disorder the stomach, rendering it unfit for its duties; witness the sickness and loss of appetite consequent upon a debauch. Chloral, chloroform, opium, etc., act upon the system much in the same way as inebriation. 2. One and all anæsthetics introduced into the body have life-destroying properties in a low degree—proved by an over-dose being fatal. 3. The condition they produce is not sleep, but a counterfeit state of unconsciousness. 4. They directly poison the blood, consequent upon its carbonization, resulting from their action. While speaking of sedative we cannot omit drawing special attention to chloral. This powerful drug is popularly supposed to give a quiet night's rest, without any of the after-effects (headache, etc.) produced by various preparations of morphia. Now, chloral is what is termed cumulative in its action, which emplies that even the same dose persisted in for a certain length of time may cause death. Of all hypnoptics, chloral is by far the most deadly, and should never, under any circumstances, be taken except under medical supervision. —*American Cultivator.*

A FRETTING WOMAN.

To even the most patient of men a fretting, despondent woman is a most uncongenial companion. There are countless wives who make their own and their husband's lives a burden by brooding over imaginary grievances, which, when they come to be examined, have actually no existence save in the mind of the aggrieved one. A little word, perhaps, said in a little heat of temper, which probably the speaker regretted as soon as uttered, or, what is far more likely, forgot as soon as said, is cherished in the heart and brooded over till the little sting becomes a festering sore that deranges the whole domestic system. The woe grows worse and worse with time, as more thought is expended upon it, and the spirit of a martyr is rapidly developed. It is a sad thing when once this habit of brooding over wrongs, imaginary or otherwise, takes possession of a woman. Thrown more upon her own thoughts and feelings, she is under greater temptation to indulge this habit than men, and by doing so she can very soon render herself and all within the circle of her influence miserable. Instead of the smiling face of welcome, the husband comes home to distant looks and unaccountable tears. His requests to know the cause are met by irritating silence that sinks a gulf of separation for the time being between them. They are at once thrown out of sympathy with each other, and until reconciliation takes place the family machine, that should work smoothly and noiselessly, is out of gearing, and harmony is destroyed. Such scenes, repeated often, soon wear a channel of indifference, and it will be well if this latter feeling does not eventually give place to contempt or hatred. The majority of men are so constituted that they shrink from tears and gloom, no matter what may be their cause.

COLORING ROSES.

A young man entered a Hartford street car carrying three roses, one white, one green and one salmon-colored. They attracted much attention, especially the green. The owner finally explained that all were white that morning, and that the coloring had been done by putting the stems of one into green ink and the other into red ink. The leaves were beautifully colored, and the coloring would not rub off, but it seemed as if nature had done the work. The process only required ten minutes.

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